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## ESPARANZA'S FATE.

### Did the Cubans or Spaniards Win a Battle There?

### VARYING REPORTS FROM HAVANA.

**According to One Dispatch Castellano Was Badly Worsted, According to Another He Routed the Insurgents—Garcia Reported Killed.**

HAVANA, via Key West, Jan. 22.—The news is spread here of the most important battle fought in the Cuban war since General Martinez Campos was routed in Peraleja by General Maceo. The Spanish have failed in an attempt to take the seat of the Cuban government.

Two weeks ago General Blanco ordered the Spanish commander of Puerto Principe, General Jiminez Castellanos, to make an effort to dislodge the Cubans from La Esperanza and if possible to capture the Cuban government. Castellanos received re-enforcements to that end, and he promised to do his best. No news was received from him until yesterday morning, when it was reported that after a battle which lasted two whole days he met defeat, losing the majority of his staff and over 150 soldiers.

He retreated to Puerto Principe, and the Cubans followed him. The Spanish battalions of Veraga and Valladolid have started to re-enforce him. Both battalions were operating in Pinar del Rio province, but General Blanco ordered their colonels to embark immediately with them on the steamer Mortera for the east. The greatest apprehension is felt in the palace that Puerto Principe will fall into the hands of the insurgents at any moment.

**The Spanish Version.**

HAVANA, Jan. 22.—Although nothing appears to be known on the subject at Spanish headquarters, persistent rumors are in circulation to the effect that General Calixto Garcia, the famous insurgent leader, was killed in the last engagement in which he took part against the Spanish troops.

According to information from Spanish sources, General Castellano, being aware that the insurgent government was established at Esperanza in buildings constructed by the insurgents, 17 leagues from Puerto Principe, at the extreme west end of the Cubitas ridge, proceeded in that direction with 2,200 infantry, 400 cavalry and two field cannon.

After a three days' trying march he forced a difficult position on the fourth day and overcame the obstinate resistance of 1,000 insurgents, pursuing them more than six miles and destroying and burning the houses at Esperanza, including the insurgent government buildings.

On the following day General Castellano engaged the reunited insurgents, 2,500 strong, near the Infierno woods, six miles from Esperanza. He routed them after a two hours' combat and put them to flight. The insurgent loss is believed to be great; but, owing to the density of the wood, it is difficult, according to the Spanish account, to ascertain the full extent of the defeat. The insurgents left 57 dead on the field. The Spanish lost 5 killed and had 31 wounded, among the latter being Lieutenant Colonel Perez Monto.

**Palma on Parra's Surrender.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Tomas Estrada Palma, head of the Cuban junta in this city, when seen regarding the dispatch from Havana stating that General Juan Masso Parra had surrendered to the Spanish and accepted autonomy, said:

"Masso Parra is no relative of President Masso of Cuba, as alleged in the Spanish official reports. The former Cuban officer was court martialed some time ago and was reduced to the ranks. At the time of his surrender he was not in command of any forces whatsoever. I am positive that the parties mentioned in the Spanish official reports were mere pacificos who, unarmed, accompanied Masso Parra into town, as was the case with the Cuervo brothers, which is quite parallel."

**Consumption Procures His Pardon.**

SALEM, Mass., Jan. 22.—Frederick G., alias Fred S., Weber of Lawrence, who was serving a year's sentence in the House of Correction for uttering a forged note in Lawrence, has been pardoned. Weber's release was permitted on the representation of Dr. Charles A. Carlton of this city, that the prisoner's lungs were affected and that continued imprisonment would result fatally. Weber belongs in New York.

**Revenue Cutter For the Yukon.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—A favorable report has been made by the house interstate and foreign commerce committee on the bill for the purchase or construction of a revenue cutter for service on the Yukon river in Alaska. The vessel is made necessary by the great increase in population and for the proper supervision of customs and revenue officers there.

**Daly Convicted of Manslaughter.**

SALEM, Mass., Jan. 22.—William Daly of Haverhill, charged with manslaughter in killing his brother-in-law, William Dolan, has been convicted. Dolan was stabbed to death with a butcher knife Dec. 28, 1897. The cause of the quarrel which ended in the fatality has not as yet appeared.

**May Sue the State.**

ELMIRA, N. Y., Jan. 22.—Selig Paska of New York city has been released from the reformatory. His maximum sentence expired 11 months ago, but he was detained through an error of Superintendent Brockway. In an interview Paska threatens to sue the state.

**Dingley Bill Hurts Italian Oranges.**

ROME, Jan. 22.—The action of the Dingley tariff has caused a crisis in the orange and lemon trade in the southern provinces of the peninsula and in Sicily. In many places prices are so low that the fruit does not pay for the plucking.

**Griffin Bill Favorably Reported.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The house military committee has authorized a favorable report on the Griffin bill for the promotion of the administration of justice in the army.

## A FREE SILVER DRAMA.

**Novel Device to Be Used In Political Campaign Work.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Democratic free silver leaders have resolved upon an experiment in political campaign work. Under influence of Senator Jones, Representative McMillin, Chauncey F. Black, Representatives Slayden, Simpkins and others a company of Washington and Virginia politicians and business men has been incorporated under the name of "The American Drama company." Among the directors are Lawrence Gardner, secretary of the congressional committee; Marshall W. Wines, Robert E. Mattingly and Major E. W. Anderson of this city.

The first play to be produced is "The Curse of Gold," which the free silverites claim is another "Uncle Tom's Cabin," and from it they ardently expect the greatest results. Senator Stewart predicts great success, and Senator Allen thinks it will be received by the west and south enthusiastically. Samuel Gompers, president, and Charles Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, are advocates of it, and Knights of Labor Assembly No. 66 owns stock in the corporation. It will be put upon the road very soon.

## ACCUSED OF BIGAMY.

**Connecticut Man's Wife Says He Deserted Her and Married a Widow.**

HARTFORD, Jan. 22.—Madeline Hanson of this city has caused the arrest of Charles Heinecker of New Britain on the charge of bigamy. She has a marriage certificate showing that she married the man on July 3, 1897. After living with her six weeks he went to New York to look for work, and after he had sent for and obtained money from her she heard no more of him, she says, until Thursday.

Then she learned that he had married on the previous day Mrs. Josephine Schrieber, a New York widow whose maiden name was Spencock. He obtained the license in New Britain on Tuesday and charged the town clerk to say nothing about it. Heinecker and his bride have been living in a boarding house since then. This was Heinecker's third venture. His first wife died in New Britain, and he has two children living there.

**Start to Meet Dole.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Representatives of the president and of the United States government who will receive President Dole, Assistant Secretary Cridler, Major Heist and Lieutenant Commander Phelps, left Washington at 7:45 o'clock last evening for Chicago. They are accompanied by Mr. Hatch, the Hawaiian minister. The details for the reception of President Dole in Washington are under arrangement. It has been settled that the dinner to be given by the president in honor of his visitor shall take place Tuesday, Feb. 1, which happens to be the first open date on the president's calendar after the arrival of President Dole next Wednesday.

**New York Life Gives Up Fight.**

TOPEKA, Jan. 22.—The attorneys for the New York Life Insurance company and for Mrs. John W. Hillmon have agreed to file papers in the United States circuit court that settle so far as the New York Life company is concerned the Hillmon case, the most famous in insurance litigation annals. The company agrees to pay the claim of $10,000 in full and accrued interest, amounting to $24,000, and Mrs. Hillmon dismisses the suit. Two other cases, the Mutual Life of New York and the Connecticut Mutual, are still pending.

**Fitzgerald's Staff Resigns.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—National guard circles in this city are stirred up by the report that the entire staff of General Fitzgerald has resigned, and there was much speculation as to who will get promoted to the various positions by Colonel William Seward of the Ninth regiment, who is now temporary commander of the brigade. The report has been confirmed. All the members declare they do not wish in any way to reflect upon Colonel Seward, but desire to leave him perfectly free in the matter of selecting a staff.

**Narrow Escape of Two Hundred People.**

SANDUSKY, O., Jan 22.—One hundred fishermen's huts on the ice in Lake Erie, off Put In Bay, were swept away in a gale. Two hundred men, women and children narrowly escaped drowning by the ice breaking up and carrying them out into the lake and by the huts catching fire. They were rescued after a long and terrible fight with the elements.

**Parson as Co-respondent.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22. — Divorce proceedings filed in the District court have stirred up the congregation of Waugh Methodist Episcopal church, on Capitol hill. The Rev. E. Olin Eldridge, the pastor of the church, is named as a co-respondent. The complainant is George T. Robertson, a commission merchant.

**Mrs. Potter Makes a Hit.**

LONDON, Jan. 22.—Mrs. Brown Potter and Mr. Kyrle Bellew appeared last evening at the Adelphi theater in "Charlotte Corday" before a brilliant audience. His royal highness the Prince of Wales was present. Mrs Brown Potter had a dozen curtain calls at the close of the performance.

**Receivers For Zoological Gardens.**

CINCINNATI, Jan. 22.—George Hafer and Albert Fisher have been appointed receivers of the Zoological gardens upon application of the stockholders, who state that there is a debt of $70,000 and that litigation is threatened which would bring permanent injury to the property.

**Charged With Robbing the State.**

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Jan. 22.—A warrant has been issued for the arrest of William Embright, late superintendent of the Institute For the Blind, charging him with obtaining $500 from the state on fraudulent salary vouchers.

## REAL DUEL FOUGHT.

### Newspaper Men Wounded In a Contest About Zola.

### DEPUTIES DENOUNCE JEWISH RABBI

**Motion to Separate Church and State Defeated In the Chamber—An Attack on Clericalism—More Rioting In Paris.**

PARIS, Jan. 22.—M. Vervoort, editor of Le Jour, and M. Adjalbert, a writer for Les Droits de l'Homme, fought a duel with swords on account of a dispute arising from the Dreyfus case. M. Vervoort sustained three flesh wounds and M. Adjalbert was wounded in the forearm. The seconds stopped the fighting.

Three experts in handwriting whom Zola charged with making false reports at the Esterhazy court martial will, it is announced, sue the novelist for 100,000 francs damages.

In the chamber of deputies several members denounced the interference of Chief Rabbi Zadockahn in the Esterhazy affair, whereupon M. Millard replied that if the chief rabbi had acted improperly he could be deprived of his salary.

M. de Mahy called attention to the propaganda of English and German pastors in various parts of France, denouncing them, amid applause, as "spies" and as being a "veritable peril to the existence of the fatherland." M. Dutreix moved the denunciation of the concordat, or understanding, between the French government and the Vatican. The motion was defeated by a vote of 316 to 171.

During the debate on the estimates of the department of public worship M. Berard denounced the "dangers of clericalism." The premier, M. Meline, declared there was no ground for such fears. Continuing, he denied the government was composed of clericals, or that it was under pontifical direction, adding that the so called clerical peril was only put forward to divert attention from the Socialist and revolutionary peril. Ex-Minister Goblet then moved the separation of church and state, which was defeated by 309 to 192 votes.

Taking advantage of the fact that yesterday was the day for the balloting of conscripts in the Fifth district, a mob of people, wearing the conscripts' tricolor cockades, paraded the Latin quarter, uttering the usual cries, but they were severely handled and dispersed by a strong detachment of police. Forty of the participants in the demonstration were arrested.

**Fatal Accident to Florida Flier.**

CHARLESTON, Jan. 22.—The Florida special vestibule train from New York collided near this city with a local passenger train on the Atlantic Coast line. There was some blunder in the time table, and the local passenger was just getting on a siding when the vestibule crashed in at its head. The two engines were demolished. The firemen on both trains were killed. Several members of the crew were more or less injured, and at least three of them will die. The passengers from the east were given a severe shaking, though none of them are seriously injured.

**Alleged Case of Defalcation.**

GOUVERNEUR, N. Y., Jan. 22.—T. R. Mooney, who has been in charge of the local office of George C. Ryan & Co., brokers of Syracuse, for the last five months, has left town, and an examination of the books, it is announced by Mr. Ryan, shows that he has taken about $1,000 of their patrons' money. He lost this, it is said, in speculation, along with his commissions, amounting to $900 more. George C. Ryan will make all losses good.

**Reciprocity Treaty With France.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Negotiations have been resumed between the government of France as represented by Embassador Cambon and the department of state through Mr. Kasson, the special reciprocity commissioner, looking to the drawing of an agreement or treaty under the limitations of the present tariff law providing for the reciprocal exchange of tariff exemptions between the United States and France.

**Presidential Nominations.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The president sent the following nominations of postmasters to the senate: New Jersey—Hackettstown, James J. Rusling; Princeton, Charles S. Robison; Woodstown, Charles H. Richman. New York—Carthage, Michael Gleason; Mamaroneck, William A. Boyd; Warwick, Stott Mills, Worcester, David Sands Smith. Pennsylvania — Lancaster, Ellwood Griest, Mifflinburg, George W. Schoch.

**Holds a Record For Heart Beats.**

WOONSOCKET, R. I., Jan. 22.—A peculiar condition exists in connection with the case of John Fellon, of this city, who is seriously ill from pneumonia. Dr. Baxter, the attending physician, states that Fellon's heart has been beating the past two days at the rate of 240 a minute. He says that 120 beats is a high record and that he never heard of an instance in which Fellon's record was reached.

**Colonel Stubbs Resigns.**

RICHMOND, Jan. 22. — James N. Stubbs, accepting as final the finding of the advisory council held at Lynchburg, has addressed a letter to Adjutant General Ellett tendering his resignation both as grand commander of the grand camp, Confederate Veterans of Virginia, and as member of the history committee of that organization.

**A New Record at Billiards.**

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Jacob Schaefer has made a new world's record at the 18-inch balk line game. He ran 400 points in 10 innings, an average of 40, defeating Catton, who scored but 93.

## STRIKE SUITS TRADE.

**Mill Troubles Favor the Owners, According to Dun's Review.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

The great strike of operatives in cotton mills in New England seems as convenient to mill owners, with their heavy stocks unsold, as if they had ordered it. Probably it will last long enough to work off stocks, and the print cloth market is already about 1 per cent stronger, while a slight advance is noted in some other cotton goods.

With a volume of business remarkable for the time of year, 38 per cent larger than a year ago and 10.4 per cent larger than in 1892 in payments through clearing houses, it is not discouraging one or two industries are lagging. The demand for most goods is more heavy for the season, manufacturing works are better employed and orders booked and prospects for the future are more encouraging than at this season in any other year of which equally definite records exist.

Failures are considerably smaller than were ever known at this season, both manufacturing and trading less than half last year's. Railroad earnings in January thus far reported have been 17.6 per cent larger than last year and 10.3 per cent larger than in 1892.

Failures for the week have been 374 in the United States, against 409 last year, and 53 in Canada, against 65 last year.

**Banker Richards Acquitted.**

ST. PAUL, Jan. 22.—The last of the many cases growing out of the sensational failure of several St. Paul banks last year ended yesterday, as those preceding it had done, in a verdict of not guilty. This case was on the charge that W. E. Bickel, vice president and manager of the Minneapolis Savings bank, had converted to his own use certain notes signed by John Musser. On the stand Musser testified that Bickel had his full consent to dispose of the notes as he saw fit, but the state sought to prove that the notes were the property of the bank.

**The Kenney Murder Trial.**

NYACK, N. Y., Jan. 22.—The examination in the murder case of Mary Kenney of Sloatsburg was continued. Maria Disabio, one of the Italian prisoners charged with complicity in the murder, created a sensation in court by raving terribly during most of the examination, and especially when Mrs. Phœbe Hennion, who found Mrs. Kenney's dead body, testified, when Maria could not be quieted. Several witnesses testified as to the finding of the murdered woman's body on the morning of Nov. 2.

**Despeaux Nonsuited.**

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22. — Judge Dallas, in the United States circuit court, has ordered a nonsuit in the case of Charles H. Despeaux against the Pennsylvania Railroad company for alleged discrimination in rates for carrying oil in 1881, 1882 and 1883. The plaintiff is the surviving member of the firm of Fenaille & Despeaux, oil refiners in France, which firm purchased its crude oil in the United States.

**Laudanum Causes Death.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—John F. Steinbrenner, president of the Chapin-Hall Lumber company, died at Newark, N. J., from an overdose of laudanum. Mr. Steinbrenner was found unconscious by his servant, and the physician who was summoned was unable to counteract the effects of the poison. County Physician Washington, who was notified, made an investigation, but was unable to determine whether the drug was taken with suicidal intent or not.

**Alleged Mail Box Thief Caught.**

NEW YORK, Jan 22.—A man giving his name as Edward Pennyston, a clerk, of 227 Grand street, Brooklyn, was captured in the Fifth Avenue bank yesterday while endeavoring to have a check that had been stolen from a letter box certified. He is believed to be a leader of a band of letter box thieves which has been operating in eastern cities for the last year.

**Postmasters Appointed.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The following named fourth class postmasters have been appointed. Pennsylvania—Elliottsville, Charles H. Cale, Lamar, Willard S Meyer New Jersey—New Milford, Nicholas A. Terhune. New York—Java Center, John F. Kerwin, Morganville, William H. Radley; Webster Crossing, William G. Johnson.

## CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

M. Ernest Bazin, the inventor of the roller steamer, died at Paris.

Edward Gannon, more than 70 years old, was sentenced to death in Illinois.

Mayor Hoos of Jersey City asked to be excused from witnessing a hanging.

Joseph Handley, who weighed between 500 and 600 pounds, was buried, after considerable trouble, at Philadelphia.

The steamer Corona left Seattle for Alaska filled with freight and passengers.

After living 11 days with a broken neck, a sailor died in Port Townsend, Wash.

Two of the mob leaders in the recent Indian trouble at Maud have been arrested.

Signor Anton Cassillatti, formerly a well known European violinist, died at San Diego, Cal.

A New York syndicate will buy a number of Michigan trolley and electric light companies.

A bill to gerrymander the congressional districts of Ohio was introduced in the legislature at Columbus.

The Ohio senate investigating committee will go to Cincinnati to continue its inquiry into the bribery charges.

A petition requesting Nebraska's two senators to vote for Hawaiian annexation has been largely signed at Grand Island, the center of Nebraska's beet sugar making industry.

## M'KENNA CONFIRMED

### Senator Allen Steadily Opposes This Action.

### TALK OF BUTTERWORTH'S SUCCESSOR

**Cabinet Discusses Hawaii and Cuba—Bill Extending Land Laws to Alaska Passed—Measure Affecting Military Bands.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The executive session of the senate was occupied by discussion on the confirmation of Attorney General McKenna as justice of the supreme court. Senator Allen took up almost the whole session with his speech in opposition to confirmation, though there were brief remarks by Senators Turner and Wilson of Washington and others favorable to Mr. McKenna.

Senator Allen had before him the charges filed with the committee on judiciary, which he read at length. This comprised a large number of letters, some resolutions and the protest of lawyers and judges of the Pacific coast, charging that McKenna was unfitted for the high office of supreme court justice on the ground of a want of legal attainments.

He commented at length upon this latter document and was interrupted by Senator Perkins of California, who read a published defense of Judge McKenna, giving statistics to show that he had not, as judge of the California federal court, been more frequently reversed by superior tribunals than had other judges of the same rank. There were also other interruptions during the day, but the proceedings were devoid of general interest.

Mr. Allen spoke for about three hours. He said he was convinced of Mr. McKenna's unfitness for the office. He did not insist upon a roll call when the vote was taken, and the vote was overwhelmingly favorable to confirmation.

**The Cabinet Discusses Cuba.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The cabinet gave some time to a discussion of the prospect of the Hawaiian annexation treaty and over the reception to be given to President Dole. Cuba also came in for a share of attention, and as the general character of the latest news was peaceful the situation was believed not to warrant any present change in the policy that has been so long followed by our government.

Several pending appointments were also considered. A successor to the late Commissioner of Patents Butterworth it is said will be named in a few days. It is believed that the place will be given to a New England man. There are two active candidates for the position, Messrs. A. P. Greeley, at present the assistant commissioner, who has been acting commissioner during the illness of Mr. Butterworth, and Nathaniel T. Frothingham, of Massachusetts, who was the assistant commissioner under Mr. Simonds. Mr. Greeley is from New Hampshire and has been in the office for many years.

**Business of the House.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—There was a parliamentary struggle in the house over the bill for the relief of the book publishing company of the Methodist Episcopal church south, which was before the house a week ago. By shrewd maneuvering its opponents succeeded in preventing action.

Previous to the consideration of this bill the house passed the bill to extend the public land laws of the United States to the territory of Alaska and to grant a general railroad right of way through the territory. The urgent deficiency bill was sent to conference after the silver forces, with some outside aid, had succeeded in concurring in the senate amendment striking from the bill the provision requiring the depositors of bullion at government assay offices to pay the cost of transportation to the mints.

Representative Bartholdt of Missouri introduced a bill to prohibit any enlisted man in the army or navy, whether noncommissioned officer, musician or private, from leaving his post to participate in any civil performance where it interferes with the regular engagements and employment of local civilians. The bill grows out of agitation over the Marine band tours.

**More Sailors Charged With Mutiny.**

BALTIMORE, Jan. 22.—The British steamer Ursula Bright, 30 days from Havre, has arrived here. Thirteen members of her crew, charged with mutinous conduct, were taken aboard the police boat Lannan and conveyed to the office of the British consul. Captain Whitson laid charges against them, and a naval court, consisting of two British shipmasters and Consul Frazer, will try their cases.

**More Canal Inspectors.**

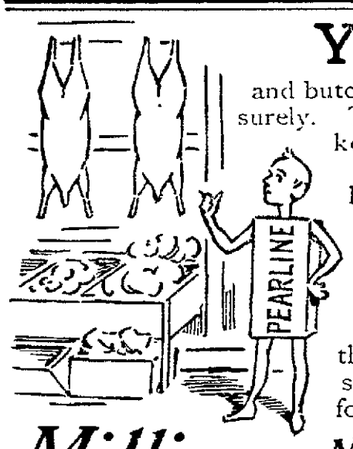
ALBANY, Jan. 22.—The following inspectors of canal improvement work have been appointed by Superintendent of Public Works G. W. Aldridge: Thomas W. McMorrow, Thomas Baker, M. J. Sheehan, W. H. Dewitt, C. P. Ross and F. W. Bristow of Rochester, J. D. Shaerer of Syracuse, G. W. Robinson of Utica and Calvin Link of Rome.

**Murderous Bartender Commits Suicide.**

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Charles Lachner, a bartender, shot his wife at their home, 543 Larrabee street, as she stood before him with her infant child in her arms. He then killed himself by firing two shots into his left temple. The woman's wound is not fatal. Lachner had been drinking.

**Must Prepay Full Postage.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—The house postoffice committee has favorably reported the bill requiring the full prepayment of postage on all first class mail matter after the close of the present fiscal year.




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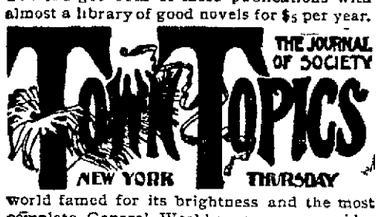
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**The Inmates Were on the Watch and Managed to Keep All Intruders Out, and the Affair Ends in a Peaceful Manner.**

NEWPORT, R I., Jan. 22.—Joseph H. Thompson, Jr, of New York and Mrs. Charles T. Smith of this city were married in Grace chapel, New York, a week ago Thursday. The announcement came as a surprise to Mrs. Smith's friends here. It was understood she was engaged to be married to John H. Hanan of Brooklyn. Mr. and Mrs Thompson arrived in this city the day after their marriage and went to the Conkling cottage in Touro park, formerly occupied by Miss Wolfe Monday Mr. Hanan arrived here and after visiting the office of a lawyer went to the city detectives' office.

From that time until last night the Conkling cottage was practically in a state of siege, watched by the sheriff, deputy sheriff, a special policeman, two men supposed to be out of town detectives and occasionally Mr. Hanan.

The presence of these people in the quiet precincts of Touro park was an annoyance to the regular residents, who complained to the police. The officer on the beat ordered them away, but they would not go. The mayor was out of town. There is no acting mayor, and the chief of police and the city solicitor were put in office this month largely through the political manipulation of the counsel for Mr. Hanan, and so were not appealed to.

The constant vigil caused comment on the streets, and many went out of their way to see the sleuths. Yesterday afternoon things reached a climax, no one being allowed to enter the house but the physician and counsel for Mr. Thompson.

However, the usual calm has now returned to Touro park. Counsel for Mr. Hanan was seen entering the Conkling place last night and the sleuths, sheriff, deputy sheriff, special policeman and all the other guardians went home.

As to the cause of these extraordinary proceedings there are many conflicting stories One story is that Mrs. Smith, who is a very good looking young widow, expected to marry Mr. Hanan and received from him either directly or indirectly many valuable presents, including a house in New York. She changed her mind, however, according to this story, and married Thompson, who had long been a suitor.

Mr. Hanan's further action is said to have been due to a desire to recover his gifts in whole or in part, and the recipient thereof did not see why she should return them Hence the siege A warrant of some kind was made out, and the case might have reached the courts if an amicable agreement had not been reached last night.

**Miners and Operators Disagree.**

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—The joint scale committee reported to the interstate joint convention of coal miners and operators yesterday afternoon that the committee was unable to agree upon any of the questions voted upon. It was moved that the report of the committee be accepted and propositions embodied in the report taken up by the convention and considered seriatim. The principal feature is the 56 cent basis competitive field, screened coal.

**Trouble Brewing For China.**

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The morning papers comment editorially upon the menacing aspect of affairs in China. Dispatches from Paris say that the report is current there that China is trying by the offer of high interest to obtain a loan without assistance and without the guarantees that Russia and England demand. According to another dispatch, the Japanese squadron will sail from Yokohuka at once for Chinese waters

**Will Pass His Life as a Convict.**

NEW YORK, Jan 22.—Conrad Hazelbedz was last night convicted of murder in the second degree at Richmond, N. Y., and sentenced to Sing Sing for life. Hazelbedz killed Thomas McSorley at Prohibition park, Richmond. The two men had a quarrel, in which Hazelbedz was worsted. He then went to his home and got a shotgun and waylaid McSorley, shooting and killing him instantly.

**May Not Reduce Letter Carriers.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—It is understood that as the result of agitation in New York and many other cities over the proposed reduction of postal deliveries to avert a threatened deficiency, several members of the New York delegation have arranged with the house appropriation committee to offset the necessity of the step by a provision for the appropriation in a deficiency bill.

**Gaining on Gorman.**

ANNAPOLIS, Jan. 22 —The following was the result of the first ballot taken yesterday afternoon by the legislature in joint session: Gorman, 46; McComas, 43; Barber, 17; Findlay, 2, Shryock, 2, Mulliken, 2, Shaw, 1. The second ballot resulted: Gorman, 46, McComas, 44, Shaw 19; Shryock, 2; Findlay, 2. Total, 113. After the second ballot the joint convention adjourned.

**Large Hay Press Burned.**

PRINCETON, N. J., Jan. 22.—The large hay press situated at Princeton Junction and belonging to ex-Assemblyman Jacob R. Wyckoff was completely destroyed by fire. The loss will be about $5,000; covered by but a small amount of insurance.

**Fifteen Miners Dashed to Pieces.**

BRUSSELS, Jan. 22.—While a cage containing 15 miners was being hoisted in the shaft of the Bonne Esperance mine at Wasnes, in Hainaut, the cable broke and the occupants of the cage were dashed to pieces.

**Engineering Dispute Abont Ended.**

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The engineering dispute is regarded as almost settled. The employers have granted a delay of a week, when it is fully believed a satisfactory agreement will be reached.

## POETRY AND SCIENCE.

**A Blank Verse Description of the Subtle Magnetic Fluid.**

Philosophers and physicists are commonly supposed to be too deeply engrossed in dry facts and figures to have time for the poetical interpretation of science, but the definition of electricity given to an inquiring young woman by the late Galileo Ferraris is direct contradiction of this. To her question he answered:

"Since Maxwell has demonstrated that the vibrations of light might consist of periodical changes of electro-magnetic forces, and as Hertz has given Maxwell's theory an experimental basis with his proof of the similarity existing between electro-magnetic waves and light waves, the belief, becomes more and more firmly established that this light-conveying ether and the medium in which the electric and magnetic forces act are identical. Therefore I may well reply to the question, O studious and charming maiden: 'What is electricity?' that it is not only the fearful agent which at times lights up the heavens suddenly and startles the soul with its loud clapping of thunder, but also the life-giving and life-awakening cause which, as light and heat, brings forth the magic color and the breath of life, which transmits to thy heart the pulsations of the universe and awakens in thy soul the charm of glance and smiles."

## PRESIDENT RUNS HIS OWN CAR.

**Relieves the Motorman Who Is Unprovided with Warm Clothing.**

Albert Johnson, president of the Nassau Electric railroad, of Brooklyn, is not above operating his own private car with the regular motorman as an only passenger. He proved it the other day when he stood at the motor box lever of the car from Ninth street to the bridge.

The railroad officials had occasion to go to New York. His private car was run out from the shed at Twent-third street and started bridgeward. The motorman had failed to provide himself with good, warm clothing, and as a result he shivered and shook on the front platform of the car until Ninth street was reached. There, as if seized with a sudden thought, Mr. Johnson jumped up from his richly upholstered chair in the cozy car and dashed out on the platform.

"Go inside and get warm," he said to the motorman, who attempted to expostulate. But inside he had to go. There, seated in the big chair, just vacated by his employer, he remained until the bridge was reached, where Mr. Johnson deserted his post at the motor box and went on his way to New York.

**Kangaroo Shoe Leather.**

The shoe factories use 1,000,000 kangaroo skins yearly. Australians have begun to raise and breed kangaroos as they would sheep.


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## Great Preparations are Under Way!

Some to culminate shortly. Big lots of new and choice merchandise will soon pour into our two stores, and there must be nothing here to impede progress when they arrive; so the word has gone forth and has re-echoed in every part of the store, the one word that means so much to us and to you—CLEARANCE. It will be a clearance on a gigantic scale. The price broom will do its sweeping well, for the power that will wield it, the force that will be behind its every stroke will be that irresistible force—PRICE. Read this announcement carefully. It is brimful of bargains, the equal of which you were never offered before.

**Blankets.**

A few more samples only left. They are sample blankets that laid on our counters, used to show and sell stock from. They are all a little soiled from handling. It does not affect their worth in the least but it will affect their price just about one-half, for we don't want to inventory or keep over until next year anything soiled, however little. Only small lots. Whoever gets one of these gets $2 worth for $1.

**4 Pair Very Heavy Rose Blankets**

Were a big bargain for $1. We sold 300 pair for that price. They are samples. 65c a pair is riddance price.

**4 Pair of Sample Blankets.**

Fine goods. $1.50 a pair they sold for A little soiled from handling. Riddance price 75c a pair.

**3 Pair Only, Wool Blankets**

and more than half wool at that. They were $3 a pair. A little soiled. They must go this week at $1.69 a pair.

**2 Pair Only, Fine Wool Blankets**

Were cheap at $6 a pair. They are a little soiled. Riddance price $2.80 a pair.

**3 Pair Only, Heavy Wool Blankets**

Were $4.50. A little soiled. Riddance price $2.35 a pair.

**2 Pair Only, California Blankets,**

Were $10. Riddance price $5 a pair.

We are bound to pound our stock down before inventory Here are clearance sale prices for Wash Goods.

**Best Black or Silver Grey Calico**
4½ cents.

**Best Indigo Blue Calico**
4½ cents.

**Best Light Ground Calico**
3½ cents.

**10c Outing Flannel**
6 cents a yard.

**The Cream of All on Wash Goods Bargains**

Will be one case of best Dark Ground Calicoes made. They sell at all dry goods stores for 6 to 7c a yard. Before inventory price 3½c a yard.

**Best Apron Check Ginghams**
4½ cents.

**Stock Reduction Sale**

of last week proved to be a great success. Why should it not be with such prices and such goods? This week we make still lower prices, as inventory time is near. We are not looking for a profit, and many odd lots go for less than cost.

**Cotton Pillow Cases.**

You can buy these if you come before they are all gone for less than the material costs you at retail, and yet they are all made, hemmed and ready for use. These prices are fully a fourth under present retail figures. They are prices you will seek in vain outside of our store. Bleached Pillow Cases 45x36 8c each.

**Jackets.**

If you are in need of a c on't miss this chance Remember these ld timers, from three to five years old, but garment is new and UP TO DATE, MADE IN THE LATEST STYLE, THIS SEASON'S GOODS It would be a big offer to say we will sell these at half price. We are going to do better than that. This week what few jackets are left you can have at half the price we paid for them, and we bought them direct from the manufacturers and paid spot cash for them. There are only a few left, but if you can find your size you will get the greatest bargain you ever had.

**3 Black Jackets,**

Made of fine Kersey cloth in the latest style, storm collar, tailor back. $5 was the price. Riddance price $1.98.

**7 Jackets,**

Made of fine Kersey cloth, storm collar, tailor back, half lined with silk serge Size 32, 34, 36, 40, 42. Price was $8.50. Riddance price $3 75.

**4 Brown Jackets,**

Sizes 32, 34, 36, 38. Were $6.50. Clearance price $3 50.

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**Continuation of Clearance Sale of Linen**

12½ and 15c Towels. Clearance price 9c each.

**45c Half Bleached Table Linen**
29c a yard.

**50c Cream Damask Table Linen,**
64 inches wide, 35c a yard.

**$1 35 Large Dinner Napkins,**
21x21 inches Clearance price 99c

**$1.59 Large Dinner Napkins,**
Clearance price $1.25.

**Chenille Table Covers**
75, 98c., $1 25 each.

**Chenille Portiers**
$1.98 and $2.98 a pair.

**Ladies' Fascinators**
25, 50, 75 cents.

**Child's Toques,**
35 cent quality, 15 cents

**Outlined Doylies**
1 and 2 cents each.

**Continuation of Clearance Sale of Wool Hosiery.**

**Babies' Wool Hose**
3½ cents a pair.

**Men's 25c Wool Sox**
10c a pair.

**Men's 35c Very Fine Cashmere Hose**
12½ cents a pair.

**Child's 25c Wool Hose,**
Plain or ribbed, 15 cents a pair.

**Men's Good Cotton Sox**
5 cents a pair.

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# OVER THE SHAWANGUNKS.

## WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS IN SULLIVAN COTNTY ARE DOING.

**The News from All Parts of the County—Many Matters of Interest Condensed from Our Sullivan Exchanges and Contributed by Wide Awake Correspondents.**

—The Isaac Beck property located in the town of Forestburgh was sold at foreclosure on Saturday, the claimants, Jas. T. and George A. Mitchell, bidding it in. They assigned it in the course of the afternoon to B. J. Cunniff, of Forestburgh. The property contains sixty-seven acres and adjoins Mr. Cunniff's farm.—*Watchman.*

—John Billings has been appointed Justice of the Peace of the town of Fallsburgh to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Henry C. Winant who has removed from the town. Until beaten by Mr. Winant, two years ago, Mr. Billings had been justice for forty years.

—A fourteen-year-old girl named Millen, who lives near Stevensville, had her leg broken above the knee, Tuesday, while coasting.

—Dr. Whitcomb has been appointed Health Officer of the town of Liberty.

—Edward Jeffie, while riding down hill in Liberty, Saturday, had his leg broken by the upsetting of his sleigh while it was going at high speed.

—From present indications there will be the usual large amount of building in Liberty next spring. A. D. J. Wedemeyer has under contemplation the erection of another cottage near the Lutheran Church, while Elmer Kniffen, Frank Hahn, Jacob Bungard, C. B. Morton and James Doughty will each erect a residence for their own use on the Terrace.

—"Bon Ari" is the name selected for the summer boarding house which W. J. Thompson is erecting near Rockland. W. H. W. Williams, who for a number of years, ran a large summer boarding house at Neversink has leased the new structure.

—It is rumored that Rev. G. T. Galbraith, of the Presbyterian Church, Liberty, will receive a call from the church at Nyack.

—F. E. Lindsley, of Monticello, has been appointed clerk of the Assembly Committee on Privileges and Elections.

—Bert Bishop, of Narrowsburgh, received a severe scalp wound, a few days ago. He was working in Miller & Boteu's quarry, when a stone fell from the bank above, striking him on the head.

—Magdalen Gilbert, of Callicoon, has been granted an "original widow's" pension of $8 a month.

—John French, the fourteen-year-old son of Benjamin French, of Black Lake, town of Bethel, accidentally shot himself in the arm, on Monday the 10th inst., while rabbit hunting. His dog ran a rabbit under a rock and young French placed his gun against a tree to aid the dog. The rabbit skipped out and the young man caught up the gun. The hammer came in contact with a stone and discharged it, and the ball passed through the forearm of the boy, mangling it badly.—*Watchman.*

—In regard to the fire cases and the hell fire cases that encumber and are likely to encumber the court calendars, it is suggested by one of our liberal minded citizens and legal wags that a spark arrestor might be used advantageously.—*Watchman.*

—In the town of Rockland during 1897 there have been 43 births, 21 marriages and 53 deaths. Of the births 22 were female and 21 male. Twin boys were born to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. Clark, of DeBruce. Of the deaths 25 were male and 29 female. Among the deaths we find the following old people: Frank Hotchkiss, 76 years; Cyrus Dodge, 71 years; Garrett Dewitt, 76 years; James H. Hubbard, 84 years, Louisa Biffer, 71 years; L. H. Sprague, 72 years.—*Ensign.*

—Efforts are being made to organize an Odd Fellows' Lodge in Liberty.

—There are four prisoners in the county jail.

—Dr. C. S. Payne, of Liberty, is critically ill with appendicitis.

—A hub and chair factory is to be started at Emmonsville in the town of Rockland.

—Mrs. Broadhead, who resides with her daughter, Mrs. Hobart, in Liberty, slipped in the doorway, Sunday, and fell, breaking her arm near the wrist.

—The addition to Ye Lancashire Inn, Liberty, which is 40x84 feet and four stories high, is enclosed and masons have begun work in the interior.

—Measles are prevalent in Loch Sheldrake and vicinity.

—Livingston Manor's second vote on the question of establishing a Union Free School was 40 to 5 in favor of the proposition. The following Board of Education was elected: J. F. Sherwood, Dr. G. H. Lathrop, W. Sherwood, Cyrus Gray and W. O. Ensign.

—A bullet fired from a rifle on the porch of J. W. Albie's store at Roscoe, the other day, glanced at right angles from the pile of wood at which the gun was aimed and crashed though a window in Mr. Appley's house, 500 feet away, striking him in the breast. The bullet's force was so far spent that Mr. Appley, though badly frightened, was not hurt. There are two houses between the wood pile and the Appley house and it is evident that the bullet, after glancing from the wood pile must have taken a course that carried it past the intervening houses and then struck some object which changed its course a second time and brought it to the Appley home.


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# NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

**Notes of Sunday Services and Other Matters of Religious Interest.**

—Old School Baptist Church—Preaching at 3 p. m by Rev. Wm. Van Kirk, of Mt. Vernon, N. Y. He will preach at Denton in the evening. Subject: "An ex-gesis of God's word on wine, strong drink and reform."

—Faith Mission, 11 Mill street, Elder D. L. Conkling, pastor. You will be made welcome to any or all of the services at the Mission. Sunday School, 2 p. m.; gospel service at 3 p. m.

—Free Christian Church—Sunday School, 11 a. m. Preaching in the evening by the pastor. Gospel Temperance Union this evening. Evening subject: "Jesus Christ, the way, the truth and the life."

—First Congregational Church, Rev. W. A. Robinson, D. D., pastor—Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; young people's service, 6:30 p. m. Evening service, 7:30. Evening subject: "A Meddlesome Conscience." A cordial welcome to all.

—Grace (Episcopal) Church—Rev. D. J. Evans, B. A., rector—3d Sunday after Epiphany. Holy Communion, 7:30 a. m.; Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.; evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 p. m.

—North Street Congregational Church. Morning service at 10:30 a. m. Preaching by the pastor Rev. J. W. Norris. Sunday School, 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. Seats free. Strangers welcome. Morning subject: "Be Ye Strong." Evening subject: "The Exact Thing." Junior Endeavor at 3:30 p. m.

—First Presbyterian Church, Rev. Thomas Gordon, D. D., pastor—Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m; Juniors at 2:30 p. m.; Young People's service, 6:30 p. m. Song service in the evening.

—Y. M. C. A., North street—There will be a mixed meeting, to-morrow afternoon. An address on temperance will be delivered by Rev. William Van Kirk. A general invitation is extended to all ladies and gentlemen to be present. It is expected that an orchestra will be present and furnish music

—Second Presbyterian Church, Rev. Charles Beattie, D. D., pastor—Preaching 11 a. m and 7:30 p. m.; C. E. meeting 6:30 p. m. Juniors meet at 3 p. m. Strangers welcome.

—Christ Church (Universalist) Assembly Room, 61 North street. Rev. J. Newton Emery pastor, Sunday School at 10 a. m. Public worship at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject: "Finding God." Evening subject: "The Hell We Shun," seventh in special series on "Doctrine and Life." Junior Union at 3 p. m. All are heartily invited.

—First Baptist Church, Rev. Frank A. Heath, pastor. Bible School at 9:30 a. m.; morning service at 11 a. m.; prayer meeting at 3:00 p. m., Seats free. You are welcome. Morning subject:

—St. Paul's M. E. Church, Rev. Frank L. Wilson, D. D., pastor—Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a. m., class meeting, 9:45 a. m.; Junior Epworth League, 3 p. m.; Epworth League prayer meeting, 6:30 p. m. Seats free and strangers cordially invited.

—W. C. T. U., 134 North street—Services at 3 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

—Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. T. J. Jackson, pastor—Preaching, 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday School, 3:30 p. m.; Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m. A cordial invitation and welcome is extended to all. Revival meetings all next week at 7:30.

# ULSTER COUNTY'S POOR HOUSE.

**Its Management Sharply Critised by the State Charities' Aid Association.**

The Ulster County poor house management is sharply critised in the annual report of the State Charities, Aid Association, which says:

The institution consists of two buildings, one about twice as large as the other. The larger building is occupied by the employes and about one-third of the paupers, and the smaller by the remainder of the inmates, with the result that there is an excess of room in the larger building while the smaller one is overcrowded. The management seemed inefficient and careless. The inmates were left without adequate supervision; the dormitories were untidy; many of the beds were ill made and some of the bedding was very dirty: in several bedrooms food was lying about, attracting swarms of flies. Although both buildings are well equipped with bath tubs there seems to be no effort to bathe the inmates regularly. The sick were not properly cared for, and there appeared to be no paid woman employed in any department. The proportion of feebleminded and idiotic inmates was unusually large, and there seemed to be little effort on the part of the superintendent to secure their removal to the proper State institutions.

# WITHDREW THE COMPLANIT.

**An Invalid Escaped Punishment for Indiscretions.**

A man whose former home was in New York City, and who finds his health better when residing here, called in at a restaurant in this city, Friday evening, where he encountered a man whose deafness was not cured by the Boy Phenomenon.

The invalid was inclined to be short of words, about as short as the waiter was of hearing, and a difficulty arose. A blow was struck and the invalid was arrested a little later. When taken before the Recorder, who asked his name, he replied that it wasn't any of his business.

The Recorder held him in $300 bail for trial this morning. John Wilkin, who was the defendant's counsel succeeded in getting the complaint withdrawn, much to the surprise of Lawyer Powers, who appeared for the complaintant. The defendant paid $1.50 costs and was released.

**Warwick's New Postmaster.**

Stott Mills was nominated Friday, for postmaster at Warwick by President McKinley.


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**Turf and Horse Notes.**

Queen Wilkes, 2:23¾, once the favorite trotter of the late Major S. T. Dickinson is owned by James W. Daly of Mount Kisco. She has been sent to Goshen to be bred to Stamboul, 2:07¾. The daughter of George Wilkes trotted her first race at Goshen, beating the chestnut gelding Garnet, 2.19, then owned by J. G. Coster. This race led to a match for $10,000, play or pay, between the rival trotters. Shortly before the day set for the race Queen Wilkes was found lame in her stall one morning, whereupon Major Dickinson showed himself to be a true sportsmen by sending word to the stakeholder to pay over the money to Coster, without the formality of his taking Garnet to the track to walk over for the stakes.


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# LEGAL NOTICES.

WHEREAS, Default has been made in the payment of the interest money secured by a mortgage, dated the 28th day of June, 1889, executed by The Goshen Gas Light Company through its then President, E. D. Bushnell, of the city of Brooklyn, N. Y., to Horatio S. Stewart, as trustee, to secure the payment of its bonds to the amount of twelve thousand dollars, which said mortgage was recorded in the County Clerk's office, of the county of Orange, on the 28th day of December, 1889, at ten o'clock and fifteen minutes a. m., in the proper book for recording mortgages, to wit: In Liber 309 of Mortgages, at Page 421.

And whereas, it was in and by said mortgage expressly agreed "In case default is made in the payment of the principal or interest moneys on said bonds secured by this mortgage, or any part thereof, for the space of ninety days after the same or any part thereof shall accrue, become due and payable; or if the said party of the first part shall allow any taxes or assessments levied or assessed under any color of any lawful authority whatever to remain unpaid more than ninety days after the same shall become due and payable, that then and in such case the whole principal debt shall become and be forthwith due and payable even though said bonds may not have fully matured;" and thereupon the said party of the second part, his successor or successors, if required by fifty-one per centum in interest of said bondholders shall cause the whole of said premises to be sold at public auction, in the manner as provided in said mortgage.

And whereas, the said mortgagor, The Goshen Gas Light Company has failed to pay the interest which became due on the 1st day of January, 1897, or any part thereof, and the same has remained unpaid and in arrears for the space of more than ninety days, and the undersigned, at the written request of all the holders of said bonds has elected and hereby elects that the whole principal sum shall become due and payable immediately.

And whereas, default has been made in the payment of the amount due upon and secured to be paid by said mortgage as aforesaid, and there is now due and owing to said mortgagee, Horatio S. Stewart, as trustee, upon and by virtue of said mortgage at the date of the first publication of this notice, the sum of twelve thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars, to wit: The sum of twelve thousand dollars principal and the sum of seven hundred and twenty dollars for interest thereon from January 1st, 1897, and no suit, proceeding or other action at law or otherwise has been instituted to recover the said mortgage debt or any part thereof.

Now therefore, notice is hereby given, that by virtue of said power of sale and in pursuance of the statute the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises in said mortgage and hereafter described, by Horatio S. Stewart, as trustee, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the front door of the Orange County Court House, in the village of Goshen, in the county of Orange, on the 23d day of February, 1898, at twelve o'clock noon of that day.

The following is a description of the mortgaged premises to be sold as aforesaid, as contained in said mortgage, to wit: All that tract or parcel of land, situate in the village of Goshen, on the westerly side of West Main street, and bounded as follows: Beginning at a point in the centre of a stone bridge in the sidewalk on the westerly side of West Main street, about one hundred and ten feet easterly of the east corner of land belonging to the heirs of James Wardrop, deceased, and running thence in an easterly direction along said line of said West Main street one hundred and fifty feet; thence in a northerly direction, and at right angles with above line, one hundred and twenty-five feet to lands of N. Y., L. E. and W. Railroad; thence in a westerly direction, along line of said railroad land, one hundred and fifty feet; thence in a southerly direction one hundred and twenty-feet to place of beginning, being a lot one hundred and fifty feet front and rear, and one hundred and twenty-five feet deep, be the same more or less. Being the same premises which William M. Sayer and Jane, his wife, by a certain deed, dated the 20th day of June, A. D., 1879, conveyed to the said The Goshen Gas Light Company in fee, together with all and singular the buildings, machinery, improvements, ways, streets, allays, passages, waters, water courses, rights, liberties, privileges, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining thereto, and the reversions and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof, and also [illegible] the corporate rights and franchises of the [illegible] party of the first part, and all the real estate [illegible] and corporate franchises, and which the said party of the first part, its successors and assigns shall or may acquire or be seized or possessed of subsequent to the date of this indenture.

Dated Nov. 27, 1897.

Mon18tFeb22 HORATIO S. STEWART, Trustee

IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Elisabeth Jane Wickham, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, at the First National Bank, in the city of Middletown, on or before the first day of February, 1898.

S. W. ROBERTSON, Executor.

J. F. BRADNER, attorney for executor.

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IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Dwight W. Berry, late of the city of Middletown in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the administratrix of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at her place of residence in the city of Middletown, on or before the 1st day of June next.

Dated November 23d, 1897.

MARY S. BERRY, Administratrix.

S. M. BOYD, Attorney for Administratrix.

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IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Lucinda Horton Yocum, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, at his office, No. 16 East Main street, in the city of Middletown, on or before the 14th day of April next.

Dated Middletown, N. Y., Oct. 12, '97.

GEO. H. DECKER, Executor.

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IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Hector Savage, late of the town of Mount Hope, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at his residence, in the village of Suffern, town of Ramapo, Rockland county, New York, on or before the first day of July, 1898.

Dated December 29th, 1897

WILLIAM L. BAXTER, Administrator.

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### WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22.—Snow or rain to-night; Sunday warmer.

### THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., 35°; 12 m., 39°; 3 p. m., 39°.

### AMUSEMENT NOTES.

—Jan. 17-22—Alma Chester and company, at Casino.
—Jan. 24—John Thomas Concert Co., Y. M. C. A., at Casino.
—Jan 27—Masquerade ball, 3 A B. B. Club, at Assembly Rooms.
—Jan. 27—Mabel Helen Wood's entertainment at Nearing Hall.
—Jan. 28.—Entertainment at St. Paul's M. E. Church.
—Feb. 10—Mary French Field, at the Casino. (Y. M. C. A. entertainment course.)
—Feb. 17—VanLaer, English Art, Literary Club's lecture course.
—Feb. 25—Kennan, Russia, Literary Club's lecture course.
—March 25—Van Ingen, Greek Art, Literary Club's lecture course.

Mayor Van Wyck is winning golden opinions by the way in which he discharges his official duties. He seems to have thoroughly informed himself in regard to the details of all departments of the city government, and in the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, which passes on and fixes the amounts to be raised for different purposes, is proving himself the consistent, intelligent and courages champion of the taxpayers' interests.

Politicians are laughing at the gold brick which Chairman Hackett, of the Republican State Committee, has received from Thomas Kinney, Utica's Democratic Mayor, whom he and his organization supported last fall. Mr. Hackett and his organization now want a share of patronage, but Mayor Kinney is deaf to their appeals, declaring that he is under no obligations to them and referring to the statements often made during the campaign that the Republican machine support given him was in the interest of good municipal government.

The nomination of Stott Mills as postmaster of Warwick is a triumph for the Wisner faction of the Republican party there, which has never wavered in its loyalty to the Odell-Platt machine. The nomination affords some cheer and comfort to the machine men in Middletown, for they think they see in it a disposition on the part of Congressman Odell to stand by his friends. They should not, however, be too sure of this, for it may be that Mr. Odell supported Mr. Mills not so much from love of Wisner and gratitude for his loyal support as for hatred of Victor A. Wilder with whom he has a long score to settle, since to Mr. Wilder's bull-in-the-china-shop opposition, more than anything else, was due the fact that Mr. Odell's' gubernational aspirations were defeated in 1896.

### STATE'S INCREASED ASSESSMENT

From the Albany Argus.

The assessed valuation of real and personal property in this State last year was increased over 1896 by $413,130,707. The realty assessments last year were increased over 1896 by $308,055,452, and the assessments on personal property have been increased $105,075,255. This large increase is shown by a tabulation completed in the State Comptroller's office of the reports received from each county showing the assessments in the respective counties for last year upon which the tax levy fixed by the present Legislature will be based.

### "CRAP SHOOTIN'" YOUNGSTERS.

**One of the Cottage street Gang Caught—Gave the Names of His Companions and Arrests Will Follow If Playing Is Not Stopped.**

A gang of boys, whose ages range from ten to fifteen years, have given the residents of Cottage street considerable annoyance of late by almost constant indulgence in the fascinating game of "shootin' craps." At least fifty of the lads were engaged in playing the game, or as spectators, last Sunday afternoon, when Policeman Wood appeared upon the scene. There was a general scramble and all escaped.

The policeman had better luck, Wednesday night, and managed to capture four cents of the swag and was able to recognize one of the players.

The lad kept out of sight until this morning when he was arrested and brought before the Recorder. He gave the names of most of the players and was allowed to go. If the practice is continued the police will make an organized raid upon the gang, and the Recorder promises severe punishment for the offenders.

### COTTON OPERATIVES' STRIKE.

**The First Week Ends With Situation Practically Unchanged—No Conferences Held and a Long Struggle Certain.**

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

BOSTON, Jan. 22.—The first week of the cotton operatives' strike in the various New England manufacturing centres, from reports received this morning, bids fair to close with both strikers and manufacturers firmly maintaining their respective positions.

Save in the case of the White Rock mills at Westerly, R. I., it is not expected that any attempts will be made to open the factories, Monday.

There seems to be no means of determining what the outcome of the strike will be, but one thing is apparent, that an early settlement is improbable. No attempts at conference have been made during the week.

At New Bedford, this morning, the situation at Fall River is attracting great attention and the prospect of a general strike there is considered good, and the union officials in New Bedford declare that their cause will be aided by such an event, although it would mean a reduction of the strike funds for New Bedford.

At Fall River, to-day, the news seems to show that the situation is clearing slightly. The carding department employes at the Shove mills have decided not to strike and have accepted the eleven and one-nineteenth per cent. reduction. The frame spinners at the King Philip mills, however, persistently demand a restoration of the old schedule.

At Biddeford the strike is affecting business, as it also is at Saco, but public sentiment seems to be strongly with the strikers.

At Lewiston, the Androscoggin mills are deserted. Though a number of men who were thrown out of work by action of the majority are ready to return, the mill agent has decided to allow matters to take their course for a while longer.

### RATCLIFFE'S ENGLISH WIFE.

**Arrived In New York—Bigamy and Perjury Charges to Be Pushed.**

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Caroline Ravenhill, who declares herself the wife of Edw. Ratcliffe, actor, convicted of wife beating, arrived, to-day, from Southampton. The district attorney's office, which intends to prosecute Ratcliffe on charges of perjury and bigamy, took her in charge.

The Ravenhill woman authoritatively identified Ratcliffe in police court, and later the case was adjourned until Monday.

### NOMINATIONS BY THE PRESIDENT

**Several Important Offices Fill'ed—Gov. Griggs for Attorney General.**

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The President, to-day, nominated Gov. John Griggs, of New Jersey, to be Attorney General; C. Wesley Thomas, Collector of Customs in the Philadelphia district; St. Clair Mulholland, Pension Agent at Philadelphia; John Horr, Marshal for the Southern District of Florida, and John Fagan, Attorney for the Northern District of Florida.

### GLADSTONE RIDES OUT.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

CANNES, Jan. 22.—Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone drove out this noon.

### STATE HOSPITAL SUPPLIES.

**Stewards Recommend That They Be Bought in Bulk.**

The stewards of the various State hospitals have recommended to the superintendents of these institutions and the State Lunacy Commission that a system of buying in bulk should be adopted for the hospitals. The stewards figure that if the dry goods, cereals, wet and dry groceries be purchased in bulk for all those institutions that the result would be a net saving of from $20,000 to $25,000 for the State each year. Such a plan would also secure uniformity as to quality and price. A committee would be appointed from the stewards to make the purchases.

The subject will be considered at the next monthly conference of the superintendents with the members of the lunacy commission on Thursday and Friday of next week.

### DANGEROUS ELECTRIC LIGHT WIRES

**Testimony at the Burns Inquest in Port Jervis Shows Imperfect Insulation.**

Frank Smith, of this city, Erie telegraph lineman, testified at the Michael Burns inquest in Port Jervis, Friday. He testified that the wire near the pole from which Burns fell, and on which he found two uninsulated spots, one four and the other two inches long, was an arc light wire and not an electric clock wire, as Superintendent Robinson of the Electric Light Company had testified. The testimony thus far given seems to show that the electric light wires are not perfectly insulated.

**A Persistent Beggar Arrested.**

A man who gave his name as George Conkling, and residence near the Noah Gregory farm, was arrested, this afternoon, for sending his two small sons into homes and business places on begging tours. One boy escaped and the other, who was captured, refused to give any particulars of himself. Recorder Barnes lectured them and allowed them to go.


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### NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

NEW YORK, Jan 22, '98.

| | Yesterday Close | To-day Close |
|---|---|---|
| Sugar | 137¾ | 136⅞ |
| Tobacco | 85¾ | 85½ |
| Chicago Gas | 95⅝ | 95⅝ |
| Nat. Lead | 35¾ | 35⅞ |
| General Electric | 35¼ | 35⅜ |
| U. S. L., pref. | 63⅞ | 63¾ |
| Tenn. Coal and Iron | 24¾ | 24½ |
| A. T. & S. F. | 12⅛ | — |
| C. B. & Q. | 99 | 98½ |
| C. M. & St. P. | 94¼ | 94¼ |
| R. I. | 88⅝ | 88¾ |
| D. L. & W. | — | — |
| C. of N. J. | 92⅛ | 92¾ |
| Erie | 14¾ | 14¼ |
| D. and H. | 111¾ | 111½ |
| O. & W. | 16⅝ | 16⅝ |
| Susquehanna & Western | — | — |
| Susquehanna & West., pref. | 28¼ | 28¼ |
| P. & R. | 21½ | 21½ |
| N. W. | 121¾ | 121½ |
| L. S. | — | — |
| N. Y. C. | 112¾ | 112¾ |
| M. P. | 33½ | 33⅝ |
| Texas | — | — |
| U. P. | 31¾ | 31¼ |
| W. Union | 90¼ | 90⅛ |
| L. & N. | 55½ | 55⅝ |
| Manhattan | 117⅝ | 117⅝ |
| P. M. | 31¼ | 31 |
| Wabash, pref. | 18⅛ | — |
| No. Pacific, pref. | 64¾ | 64⅝ |
| W. L. | — | — |
| Southern R'y | — | — |
| Southern, pref. | 30¼ | 30⅛ |
| May Wheat | 91⅞ | 92 |
| May Corn | 28⅞ | 28⅝ |
| May Oats | 23¾ | 23⅝ |
| May Pork | $9 77 | $9 77 |
| May Lard | 4 80 | 4 77 |


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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.
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and we have got to make room for them, consquently our

## CLOAKS AND CAPES!

must be sold. The prices are $6 90 and $8 90. Do you remember our advice about buying Dress Goods and Flannel Underwear?

## CARSON & TOWNER,

No. 11 West Main Street. Telephone 166.

# 25 PER CENT. OFF!

Have you had the benefit of the 25 per cent. reduction sale which has been going on at my store since the New Year opened, and which will continue until Feb. 1st? A great many have, and there is still a chance for you. If you are wise you will be after it. The stock is fresh, high grade and includes everything that a man or boy wears from the HAT down,

**Overcoats, Suits, Underwear, Gloves, Neckwear, Shirts—**

all are here, with UMBRELLAS and CANES to finish out with. These goods, which are all warranted satisfactory, were marked to sell at low prices before this reduction sale. Now you get 25 cents back from those prices on every dollar's worth you buy. Come in and look for yourselves. You will not be urged to buy.

## JOHN E. ADAMS.

N. B.—If you don't find what you want in ready-made goods, the same reduction applies to our suit-to-order department, where Mr Rogers never fails on a perfect fit.

The Remarkable Show of

# WASH GOODS!

Now Displayed by Us Forces Sales, Even in the Cu'l Season.

EXAMINE THE LINES WE OFFER.

2,000 yards Fast Color Prints 3½ cents.

50 pieces Ginghams, the best (no off quality), 5 cents.

25 pieces White Checks, 8c quality, 5 cents per yard.

1,000 yards Outing, fine quality, 5 cents per yard.

20 styles Dress Goods $1 69 per dress, reduced from $2 39.

## H. E. CHURCHILL & CO.,

No. 39 North Street.



You should have that music and lot of ladies' periodicals neatly bound at McINTYRE'S BINDERY, 32 North Street, Middletown. The price will be reasonable.

# YOU MUST

Want something to keep you warm this cold weather, such as

## Wool Hose, Mufflers, Gloves, Mittens, Blankets, Leggins or UNDERWEAR!

in fleece lined, either cotton or wool. FASCINATORS in black, white and colors.

Ladies' Flannelette Gowns and Men's Night Shirts! both of same material.

Don't forget the place.

## J. D. HORTON, AGT.,

No. 27 West Main Street.

# YOU REMEMBER!

That we keep Pocket Kodaks Cameras and a full line of Photographic supplies.

That we have all the popular games for long evenings.

That we have the best stock of crepe paper in the city.

That we have Fountain Pens, fully warsanted, $1.50 and upwards.

Samples of our High School and Carbon Falcon Pens given free to any one cutting out and bringing this advertisement.

## Hanford & Horton,

No. 6 North St., Middletown.

WE ARE HAVING A RUSH

IN

## Our Custom Department

AND ALSO IN OUR

## READY-MADE OVERCOATS AND ULSTERS.

The Reason for This.

We are Offering a Good Percentage Off for CASH.

GEO. W. YOUNG.

## RUBBERS.

Save money and buy your Felt Boots, Rubber Boots and Overshoes at

"The Hub" Shoe Store,

13 West Main Street.

Next to Carson & Towner's.

Men's Rubbers 40c.
Boys' Rubbers 35c.
Ladies' Rubbers 20c.

## Orders for COAL

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H. S. Dusenberry & Son's No. 4 North St. Will Receive Prompt Attention

FROM

## CRANE & SWAYZE.

No. 11 to 19 Montgomery St.

Telephone 175—No. 4 North street.
162—No. 13 Montgomery street.

# OUR ANNUAL CLEARING SALE OF

## Ladies', Misses' and Children's Cloaks Begins Monday, Jan. 3d

We have about 300 Cloaks to select from in all grades. Below we quote a few numbers—Our regular $12 95 coat now $7.95, our regular $10 coat now $6.40, our regular $8.95 coat now $4.75, our regular $5.98 coat now $2.98. Remember these are all facts, no sham figures. We stick to our custom, never advertise unless we have the article. Any one needing a Coat or Cape, should not lose sight of this opportunity at our handsome store.

## L. STERN, 13-15 NORTH ST.

Still selling fine plaid, all lined Shirt Waists, regular $1 kind, for 50 cents.

# FIRST WITH HATS!

New Spring Hats Now Ready.

Brown and Black.
Good Hats from $1.
Better Hats $1.50.
Fine Hats $2.

## MORRIS B. WOLF,

Blue Front Store.

One Price Only.

# Call and Get Our Prices

ON

# FURNITURE, Carpets and Crockery

FOR

# THE MONTH OF JANUARY.

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44 AND 46 NORTH STREET.



## CONCERNING QUALITY!

In the present state of advanced Medical Science your Physician prescribes remedies from which he expects definite and accurate results. He obtains this result if the medicine is of proper quality, but not otherwise.

## BE WISE!

Your Physician works by science and not by magic.

His prescription demands the best. It is your duty to obtain the best. It is our business to supply you with the best. For this business our well stocked shelves and our well equipped Laboratory amply provides. A liberal business and frequent purchases keep this stock fresh and reliable. Every prescription carefully filled exactly as prescribed!

Quality, Accuracy, Fair Dealing, Courtesy in all things.

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## DURING JANUARY

we will continue to make it interesting to those in need of

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and maintain the established fact that we are

The Cheapest Place in the City.

## FRANCE & HATHAWAY,

25 AND 27 EAST MAIN STREET


## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Photographic supplies at Hanford & Horton's.
—Storeroom for rent.
—Hats at Morris B. Wolf's.
—Petroleum jelly at Olney's Pharmacy.
—Read the Economy Store adv.
—House of nine rooms for rent.
—Auction, to-night, at 112 North street.
—Household furniture at auction.
—When ailing, take Munyon's Remedies.
—Backache cured by Benson's Capcine Plasters
—Colds cured by Hale's Horehound, Honey and Tar.
—Dyspepsia cured by Dr. Dean's Dyspepsia Pills
—For kidney troubles, take Kennedy's Favorite Remedy.

## LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—*Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, today.*

Your big and little troubles
Will burst like bubbles,
This we will promise
If you hear John Thomas.

—Alma Chester at the Casino, to-night.

—"Ticket of Leave" is the name of the production to be presented at the Casino, this evening.

—Remember this will be the last opportunity to witness the Alma Chester Company at 10, 20 and 30 cents.

—Bacheller, the taxidermist of New Hampton, has just forwarded a handsomely mounted eagle to Lawrence Bowman at Liberty.

—F. W. Seager, who sang the part of Miles Standish in "Priscilla," will sing a solo, "O for a closer walk with God," at the First Congregational Church, tomorrow morning.

—Items in the Port Jervis papers intimate that a new currency is afloat in that village. Street railroad tickets are accepted by saloon keepers from "busted" patrons in payment for drinks.

—Principal A. O. Miller, of the Passaic night school, has been arrested charged with assaulting a fifteen-year-old pupil. It is alleged that he seized the boy by the collar, pulled his hair, threw him on the floor and finally hurled him into a seat.

## PERSONAL.

—Miss Gussie Quaid returned to Newburgh, to-day.

—Charles H. Stage, a lawyer of Monticello, was in town, to-day.

—George Yetto is spending a week with his mother, at Ellenville.

—Miss Emma Furman is visiting relatives in Middletown, Orange county.—*Nyack Star.*

—Miss Georgia Hicks, of 269 North street, went to Newburgh, to-day, for a short visit.

—Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Holton and child, of Trumansburgh, N. Y., are guests of Charles B. Buckley.

—Mrs. Sara S. Horton went to Lakewood, N. J., to-day, to spend Sunday with Miss Flora Horton.

—A. M. Horton, the well known feed merchant, left, to-day, for a visit at Binghamton and Horseheads.

—Mr. and Mrs. John F. Dusenberry went to New York city, to-day, to spend Sunday with John A. Hartford.

—Miss Hattie Bryant went to Paterson, to-day. She will spend a month visiting there and in New York city.

—Dr. and Mrs. F. Johnson, of Owego, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs George Dorrance, returned home, to-day.

—Hon. Delos Axtell, member of Assembly from Delaware county, is confined to his home at Barbourville by a fully developed case of measles.

—Elmore Ellis and Miss Susie Mulford, of Middletown, are visiting at the home of their cousin, R. H. Thompson on Ulster avenue.—*Walden Citizen.*

## A NOVEL ATTRACTION.

**DeWitt Fife and Drum Corps Wants a Wedding at Its Entertainment.**

Do you want to get married? The DeWitt Fife, Drum and Bugle Corps has decided to give an attraction at their entertainment at the Casino, which is a little out of the ordinary run, and have a genuine marriage ceremony performed on the stage, They wish to correspond with any young engaged couple who would desire to get married in this manner. Suitable terms will be offered as an inducement which may be ascertained by writing to the secretary, Joseph Grant, of this city. The object of the entertainment is to add to the fund for the purchase of new instruments and uniforms in the spring. The cast will be the same that appeared in the "Billy" Williams benefit and the date has been fixed for Feb. 11.

## THE MARYLAND SENATORSHIP.

**McComas' Friends Confident that McKinley's Interference Will Elect Him.**

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 22.—The friends of McComas are jubilant, this morning, over the announcement that President McKinley had taken a firm stand in behalf of their candidate. They are freely predicting his election.

Many claim that as a result of the President's interference Barber's four votes and those of Day, Emory and Findlay will certainly go to McComas. This would give McComas 52 on joint ballot, which is six less than the requisite number. The others would have to come from Shaw's supporters outside the "faithful eleven" from Baltimore.


**Relief in Six Hours.**

Distressing Kidney and Bladder disease relieved in six hours by "NEW GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE." It is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in bladder, kidneys and back, in male or female. Relieves retention of water almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is the remedy.

Sold by J. E. Mills, druggist, Middletown, N. Y.


## FOR THE MISSION CAUSE.

**Interesting Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of St. Paul's Church**

The Woman's Foreign Missionary society of St. Paul's church met with Miss Pluma Sears, Friday evening There was a large attendance.

Mrs. C. N. Prior, the president, presided. The meeting was opened with singing followed by responsive scripture reading and prayer.

Mrs. I. B. A. Taylor, the corresponding secretary, read an interesting letter from Foochow, China acknowledging receipt of picture cards sent by one auxiliary.

An article upon missions and missionaries in foreign lands was read by Miss Lloyd Ellison.

The Battle Hymn of missions was sung by Miss Edith Skinner.

Mrs. Iseman entertained the society with echoes from the district convention recently held in Trinity church Newburgh.

Encouraging reports of the year's work showing an increase in membership and contributions both in local and state auxiliaries were given by the corresponding and according secretaries and the treasurer.

After a social hour during which refreshments were served the meeting adjourned.

**Monthly Meeting of the Second Presbyterian Missionary Society.**

Forty ladies, members of the Missionary Society of the Second Presbyterian Church, gathered at the home of S. A. Bull on East Main street, Friday afternoon, to attend the monthly meeting of the society.

Mrs. Charles Beattie presided at the devotional and business meeting, which was opened by singing "The Ninety and Nine," followed by prayer led by Mrs. Beattie. Reports from the different officers were heard. Mrs. Beattie announced that the collectors would call on the ladies of the congregation in a few days.

"The New West" and "The Bible and Foreign Missions," the topics for the month, were then taken up.

The programme had been prepared and was conducted by Mrs. C. E. Cooper and Miss Lizzie Gildersleeve. "More Love to Thee" was sung, followed by prayer, led by Mrs. J. E. Mills. Sentence prayers by a number of the ladies were then offered and Mrs. J. B. Kimber read an article entitled "Pivot of Prayer."

Very interesting and instructive articles were read by Mesdames Tryon, Van Inwegen, Matthews, Purdy and Southwell. Miss Grace Sinsabaugh told "What one girl can do" and Miss Nellie Wood read a leaflet entitled, "Two cents a week and a prayer." "Do all that you can," a pretty little poem, was read by Miss M. Belle Austin.

A very interesting original paper, entitled the "The New West," describing the towns and cities visited while on her way to Honolulu, was read by Mrs. C. E. Cooper. The offering was followed by a short prayer by Mrs. Beattie, and after repeating the Lord's Prayer the society adjourned.

## KILLED AT SLOATSBURGH.

**Young Man Met a Violent Death While Going Skating Thursday.**

James E Sears, aged twenty-three, of Sloatsburgh, was found lying along the Erie tracks near Ramapo, Thursday night, dead. He had started for a skating trip, near Ramapo, and is supposed to have jumped off a freight train and fallen under the wheels.

No further particulars have been received here.

**John Thomas a Very Funny Comedian**

Of John Thomas himself what can be said, save that his very appearance took the house by storm and turned it into a cyclone of encores at every number? As on his former visit the audience peremptorily refused to let him leave at all, which evoked the assurance from him that he would like to stay a week but had other engagements.—*Muscatine Tribune.*

John Thomas will be at the Casino, Monday.

**Her Arm Crushed Under an O. and W. Car.**

Mrs. Charles Perkins, of Norwich, was picking coal from a box car on the O. and W. tracks in that village, Friday afternoon, when the yard gang began to shift the car to make up a train. She attempted to alight from the car while in motion and fell on the rails in such a way that her left arm was crushed near the shoulder.

**The Population of Port Jervis.**

The enumeration of the village of Port Jervis, just completed, shows a population of 9,570. The federal census of 1890 made the population 9,327. The Port Jervis papers explain that in the recent census only the permanent population is included, while in the census of 1890 non-residents were also included.

**Entries for Walden's Poultry Show.**

Over four hundred entries have been made for the second annual exhibition of the Wallkill Valley Poultry and Pet Stock Association, which will be held at Walden, Wednesday and Thursday January 26th and 27th.

**Bishop Potter May Retire.**

A London dispatch to a Paris paper contains the news that Bishop Potter, of New York, has decided to retire from active church work and take up his residence in England.


**SPINAL** Weakness easily cured by Dr. Miles' Nerve Plasters.


## AN IMPORTANT BUSINESS CHANGE

**J. W. Tompkins Buys George B. Adams' Dry Goods Stock and Takes a Long Lease of the Adams Store.**

George B. Adams announces, to-day, that he has sold his stock of dry goods in his large store on North street to Joseph W Tompkins, who now operates the double store in the Armstrong & Lyon Block.

Mr. Tompkins also takes a long lease of the Adams store and will take possession April 1. He is one of Middletown's most active and successful merchants, a distinction he has achieved in a remarkably short space of time.

Mr. Adams, who now retires from business in this city, still has four stores under his management, two at Newburgh, one at Olean and one at Albany.

He commenced business in this city in 1867, as a member of the firm of Hayt & Adams, in the building now occupied by the Hub Shoe Store. The firm was very successful, and in a year moved into larger quarters in Empire Block,—the store now occupied by the A. and P. Tea Company. The firm remained there ten years. Mr. Hayt's interest in the business was purchased by T. A. Weller and the firm became Adams & Weller and built the large block on North street, the spacious store in which the firm occupied until its dissolution and which Mr. Adams has since occupied.

Mr. Adams' business career in this city has been honorable in all things, and the phenomenal success he has achieved has been fairly won by industry, application and intelligent business methods.

Mr. Tompkins since he started in business here has done a very large trade. He has a thorough knowledge of the dry goods trade, is a tireless hustler and has made his store a popular shopping centre. In the larger quarters which he has now secured he will certainly largely increase his trade.

The sale of Mr. Adams' business was made through the agency of Gardner & McWilliams.

## NEWBURGH'S BIGGEST HOG.

**Weighed 850 Pounds Dressed and Attracted Much Attention.**

From the Newburgh Journal.

A prodigious porker, weighing when dressed 850 pounds, was cut up, Friday morning, in the market of S. H. Dayton, No. 179 Water street. The animal was raised at Chester by W. A. Lawrence & Son. A number of butchers and meat dealers were interested in looking over the carcass, yesterday. Isaac T. Mathews thinks it is the biggest specimen ever brought to Newburgh.

## OBITUARY.

**Mrs. Eliza Kyte.**

From Our Goshen Correspondent.

Mrs. Eliza Kyte, mother of Thomas Kyte, died at the residence of her son in this village, Friday evening, of apoplexy, aged eighty-eight years. She will be buried at Eldred, Sullivan county, on Wednesday.

**Explosion of a Gasoline Can.**

The gas in a large gasoline can exploded in Eells & Reynolds' store in Walton, a few evenings ago, while a faucet was being soldered to it. A large plate glass window was blown out and A. E. Woollett, who was sitting astride the can, using the soldering iron, was thrown some distance against some machinery but escaped serious injury and Mr. Reynolds, who had just turned to leave the store, was tumbled in a heap but was not hurt.

**Many Animals Burned in an Incendiary Fire.**

Seventeen cows, a yoke of oxen and a team of mules perished in a fire, which, early Thursday morning, destroyed the barn and cow stables of Samuel Card, near Stockholm. A Swede, who had been employed by Mr. Card and who had been discharged the day before, is in Newton jail charged with setting the buildings on fire.

**Entertained the Visiting Commandery**

The representatives of Delaware Commandery, Knights Templar, of Port Jervis, who were here in attendance on S. A. Sease's funeral, Friday, were given by the resident members an oyster supper at August Pfaff's before they returned home.

**Has Returned from His Trip.**

A well known fireman of this city, who recently left town without leaving any word as to his destination, has returned here. His plans for the future are not announced.

**Real Estate Sales.**

—James H. Horton, the livery stable proprietor, has bought of Dr. Harvey Everett the blacksmith shop property, corner of Fulton and Canal streets.

**Dance at Circleville, Friday Night.**

About twenty-five couples enjoyed a dance at the home of S. Downing, near Circleville, Friday night. Sayer's orchestra furnished the music.


**Itching Piles.**

Dr. Agnew's Ointment is proof against the torments of Itching Piles. Thousands of testimonials of cures affected by its use. No case too aggravated or too long standing for it to sooth and cure. It cures in from 3 to 6 nights.



Pure blood is absolutely necessary for perfect health. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the one true blood purifier, and great health giver.


## AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

**Jumped from a Fast Moving Freight Train—Entertainment at Music Hall, To-night—Appointed Deputy Sheriff—Thirty-five Jail Birds—Mr. Whiddit at Mount Vernon.**

From Our Regular Correspondent

—A rapidly moving freight train came up the road, yesterday, with George Burns aboard. George is a young man of the village and he wished to get off here, and he chose the stretch between Greenwich and West Main streets, in the rear of Farrell's tobacco salesroom, as the best place to alight. When George came back from a dim lingering semi-reality of matters he discovered from the bruises and contusions on his anatomy that he had got off as he intended to do, although, perchance, wrong end to.

—At Music Hall, to-night, Montgomery Hunt Throop, romancer, will present an "original drama in the dark,—Jules Darboy." Mr. Throop will be assisted by the Cosmopolitan Ladies' Quartette. In the drama Mr. Throop acts as a sort of a phonograph and furnishes the voices of the characters which are depicted by original drawings enlarged and shown on canvas. The Ladies' Quartette is well recommended.

—Simeon F. Gillespie has been appointed deputy sheriff by Sheriff Strong.

—Stone breaking will be resumed at the jail yard on February 1st. There are thirty-five prisoners in the calaboose at present.

—W. W. Whiddit, Jr., gave a number of organ selections at a musicale in Mount Vernon, N. Y., on Thursday evening.

## HANGING OF CLAUDIUS SMITH.

**"A Hot Time in the Old Town" of Goshen Recalled.**

From our Goshen Correspondent.

This day 119 years ago, on the 22d of January, 1779, surging, mingling crowds of morbidly curious humanity thronged the streets of Goshen, at least so history tells us. The occasion was the public execution of Claudius Smith, who was snatched into eternity at a rope's end, near where now the Goshen Band discourses melody in the pleasant summer-time. The populace from all the country round laid their duties by and turned out en masse to see the boldest and most villianous desperado of his age, who had long terrorized the good and peace-loving settlers of the countryside, pay the penalty of his misdoings.

As we say nowadays, there was a "hot time" in the good old town. Unfortunately for those who might wish to visit such an exhibition Orange county has no residents to-day, whom she can so summarily dispose of, and entertainments of that kind are as rare as possibly that one was enjoyable.

## KING STREET THUNDER

**The Earth Has Sunk Beneath the Pavement and Wagons Rumble Loudly.**

A rumbling sound, not unlike thunder, has been often heard on King street during the past two days,—in fact it is heard whenever wagons are driven rapidly through the street. The sound is heard when the vehicles pass in front of the *Times* building, and seems to be due to the fact that the earth over the sewer has settled, leaving an air space under the brick pavement. The pavement remains in place, being held there probably by the slight arch formed by the crown of the street.

Those who live or do business on the street are getting used to the noise, but those who hear it for the first time are at a loss to account for it.

**Sailed on the "Princess Anne" for Norfolk, To-day.**

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Corey, W. T. Doty, Miss Louaine Doty, Mrs. M. M. Harding, Miss Minnie Shafer and Mr. and Mrs. Wilmot Duryea, of this city, sailed, today, on the Old Dominion steamer, "Princess Anne," for Norfolk.

**To Be Sent to an Asylum.**

Irving Von Beck, who was arrested in Kingston, Thursday, for insulting young girls is to be sent to the Hudson River Hospital. It is alleged that financial troubles unsettled his mind.


The mission of Hood's Sarsaparilla is to cure disease, and thousands of testimonials prove it fulfills its mission well.

# First

Last and all the time Hood's Sarsaparilla has been advertised as a blood purifier. Its great cures have been accomplished through purified blood—cures of scrofula, salt rheum, eczema, rheumatism, neuralgia, catarrh, nervousness, that tired feeling. It cures when others fail, because it

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Strikes at the root of the disease and eliminates every germ of impurity. Thousands testify to absolute cures of blood diseases by Hood's Sarsaparilla, although discouraged by the failure of other medicines. Remember that

# Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier

**Hood's Pills** easy to buy, easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.


**Will Attend a Ball at Newark, To-night**

A number of masons from Newark, who have been employed on the brewery here, and several others of this city, will attend a ball of young German-Americans at Phœnix Hall, Newark, to-night. Among those in the party are Chas. Schwartz, Wm. Grubn, Fritz Ireland, Ernest Iseman and Joseph Vogel.


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Special Sale of Hamburg Edgings at Prices Ranging From

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$1, two clasp Pique Kid Gloves at 79c a pair.

39c Domet Flannel Skirt Lengths at 29c each.

Short lengths of Silks and Dress Goods on remnant counters, all marked at low prices.

Blankets and Comfortables at the lowest prices. Do not make any error by buying Blankets or Comfortables before looking through our stock.

Big sales of Carpets now at the big store. Our prices seem to be lower. The state of the carpet market was such that we bought largely.

We are showing a big stock of Carpets.

## GEO. B. ADAMS & CO.

To Let—Offices in the Adams Building.

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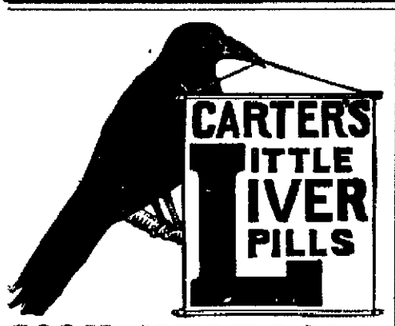


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Best quality, 2 sticks 5c.

**POROUS PLASTERS,**
New crop, 10c, 3 for 25c.

**PETROLEUM JELLY.**
Variously called Vaseline, Petrolatum, etc. Best grade and largest bottle put up 10c.

OLNEY'S PHARMACY, FRANKLIN SQUARE.




**SICK HEADACHE**

**Positively cured by these Little Pills.**

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

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Will retain a rupture when other trusses fail. Comfortable to wear. No pressure on the back. Truss will remain in place regardless of position of the body. Call and examine.

J. Erskine Mills,
Druggist, North St.


## Department of Public Instruction.

### DATES OF EXAMINATIONS FOR 1898.

OTISVILLE, N. Y., November 1, 1897

Examinations under the uniform system for 1898, will begin on the days named below and continue for two days except those for training class certificates, which will continue for three days

FIRST GRADE

March 10th and 11th, at Goshen.
August 11th and 12th, at Middletown

TRAINING CLASSES

January 19th, 20th and 21st, at Port Jervis.
June 8th 9th and 10th at Port Jervis

SECOND AND THIRD GRADES

January 13th and 14th, at Port Jervis
March 10th and 11th, at Goshen
May 27th and 28th, at Otisville.
August 11th and 12th at Middletown.
September 23d and 24th, at Warwick.

KINDERGARTEN.

January 19th and 20th, at Port Jervis.
June 8th and 9th, at Port Jervis

DRAWING.

March 10th and 11th, at Goshen
August 11th and 12th, at Middletown

NORMAL ENTRANCE.

Second Thursday of January, 13th, at Port Jervis.
Fourth Friday of May, 27th, at Otisville
Second Thursday of August, 11th, at Middletown.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Examinations will be held from 9 15 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. and from 1:30 p. m. to 5 p. m.

No bags, books nor pamphlets will be allowed in the room where the examination is held, and all paper to be used by candidates will be furnished by the Commissioner. Any one detected in copying, using notes, or in any way trying to obtain a certificate dishonestly, will be prohibited from attending future examinations.

Candidates residing in the Second Commissioner District of Orange county wishing to take the uniform examination in another county, must first obtain the written consent of the Commissioner of this district.

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## The Downfall of San Benito.

BY GWENDOLEN OVERTON.

IN THE early nineties there arose in the town of Tularosa a prophet who had honor among his own people. He was only Benito Morales at first, but he came to be San Benito, and this was the manner of it:

Benito was the only son of one Senora Morales. She had wandered into Tularosa one day with her baby in her arms. To wander in Tularosa afoot is no small achievement. The surrounding country is greasewood plain, barren knolls and alkali patches as far as the eye can reach. At Three Rivers, seven miles to the west, there is a creek which runs almost dry in summer, but north, east and south, for many, many leagues, there is neither water nor shelter. That the woman, with her child in her arms, had lived through the desert journey was a marvel which was not explained at the time, but which was in after years attributed to divine guidance.

Senora Morales was very young, her baby was but two months old, and its father, she said, was a white man. He was her husband, and he would come by and by. But he never came. The priest found her shelter in a crumbling adobe hut, and in return she swept the church and renewed the paper roses in the white-and-gilt vases upon the altar. She lived mostly on charity. Benito grew to manhood and early gave proof that his mother had spoken the truth in saying that his father had been Americano by the extraordinary activity of his mind. But that he was also half Mexican was evinced in his quite ordinary indolence of body. The priest saw in him a promising padre, and undertook his education. The progress of young Morales was astonishing. His reputation spread. Advice was asked of him as frequently as of the priest, and those who followed it did well, for his inspiration was keen common sense and an eye to the main chance. It dawned slowly upon the padre that his pupil was coming to be of unduly great repute, that his own prestige was menaced; and when Benito was in his twentieth year, the good father thus addressed him:

"My son," said he, "you are now a man, and you should play a man's part. You should go out into the world and work for the mother who has so long supported you."

The word "work" was a terrible stab to the heart of Benito. "But am I not to be a priest?" he asked.

"No," said the father, piously, "you have not the spirit of the priest. You love the things of this world."

"Where shall I go?" he asked.

"To the railroad, to Socorro, to Santa Fe, to Tucson, perhaps even to Los Angeles," the priest answered, vaguely. "You can grow rich—ah! very rich—in Socorro or Santa Fe; you need not go farther. For some day you might wish to come back to your mother, and you could not do it, maybe, if you were so far away as Tucson."

"But I must have money to go with," suggested Benito.

The priest looked at him reproachfully. "Your mother did not need money when she came from the north and carried you in her arms." Benito was silent. "But perhaps we can get one dollar, or even two. I will go today and try to gather it for you. Have you no money of your own?"

"No," lied Benito, glibly.

"And yet," said the good father, perplexed, "you have often been paid when you have given advice."

"I gave the money to my mother. Did she not deserve that I should?" asked Morales, righteously

The padre doubted, but he held his peace. He gathered two dollars and twenty cents from his grateful flock, and Benito Morales, taking that and the ten dollars he had been all his life in saving, started forth to seek his fortune. His mother wept placidly for days as she smoked her cigarettes on the shady side of the house or knelt in church and prayed and said her beads while the swallows flew back and forth and twitted among the rafters. In time she ceased to weep, but she talked incessantly of her only son.

Two years passed before Benito came back to his own. He had gone in the summer, and in the summer he returned. A drought was upon the land. In those two years there had been no rain. The priest prayed and the people supplicated and the figure of St. Joseph was carried in procession. It was a wooden figure painted in many colors, and had been carved originally to represent Napoleon. It wore the familiar cocked hat and high boots and tight breeches, but it drove a span of wooden oxen by green ribbon reins, and it had brought water from the skies before this. Yet now its influence was of no avail, and the crops—even the crop of frijoles—seemed doomed to fail. Then Benito Morales returned. The people, remembering his advice had proved good of yore, asked him now what they should do. Benito did not commit himself, but he said that he would pray, and that perchance the anger of Heaven might be withdrawn. If so, he would expect to be paid. The people promised. Then Benito went into the church and bowed his picturesque head and prayed for rain. There was some faith in his heart and much skepticism. On the following day it rained. Benito was well paid, and his reputation far outshone that of the padre.

Now Benito in his travels had wandered to the furthermost limits of the continent, even unto San Francisco and Los Angeles. He had learned much that the padre would not, and much that the padre could not have taught him. Among the latter was the trick of hypnotizing. A hypnotist had picked Morales up from the streets one evening and had promised him 50 cents if the Mexican would help him with his show. Morales did not know what it was, but he needed half a dollar and he went with the man; and he went again, night after night. He observed and he watched, and at last he determined that he could do the "treeck" as well as the "gringo." He experimented and practiced, and became, in course of time, fairly proficient. For Morales was a man of brains and will. The "treeck" served to amuse him and his worthless friends, but he never thought of turning it to account. He was sharp enough to know that he did not do it so well as the white man.

In course of time he grew weary of working to live. He did not grow rich, and he had to labor hard for the rare dollars that he turned. It was better in Tularosa, where people would give him frijoles and cigarettes, and where his mother would do the little that was needed to keep hunger from the door. Slowly and leisurely he earned his way back to Sorocco, and thence he rode on a burro that he found on the banks of the Rio Grande to Tularosa. Thus it was that Benito Morales returned to his own people, little dreaming of the honors that were in store for him.

One day as he sat in his own doorway watching the mocking bird that hopped back and forth in its cage and pecked at the red chili stuck between the bars he wondered how he should get his next package of brown rice paper for cigarettes. He had no money, his mother had none, he had exhausted the generosity of his friends. Then it flashed upon him that the "treeck" would be of use. He could get endless packages of paper by that method. He went to where a number of his friends lounged around the door of the one store of the town. The least generous man of them all had a new package. In seeming playfulness Morales pressed him upon the brow and gazed into his eyes. The man grew rigid.

"Give me your cigarette papers and some tobacco, if you please," suggested Benito.

His subject did as he was bid. Benito released him and sat down to smoke.

The on-lookers were seized with a terrible awe. Benito had a power from the devil or from Heaven, they were not certain which, and it lay with Morales to decide that for them. He put his power to good uses for a time. He cured those of the sick who seemed likely to recover, he made men perform feats of prodigious strength. The people rose up and blessed him, and ere long they called him San Benito, timidly at first, then with growing conviction.

When his reputation was established, Morales began to work for his own ends. Manuel Guitterez awoke from a trance one day to find that he had, in the presence of witnesses, signed away his house to Morales. When he protested, he was set upon and beaten and driven off with hoots. Jose Ortega, in the same fashion, gave away his bit of a ranch at Three Rivers. Morales was now a landed proprietor. He married, and one person contributed, all unwittingly, a chair, another a bed, another a table, another a statue of a saint, to furnish the bridegroom's house. The people feared and almost worshiped him. His mother, and his wife, and his children received much honor. But Morales had too much rope, and in due time he hanged himself.

A teamster, who was camping upon the bank of the creek a couple of miles from Morales' rancho, had two mules which the Mexican coveted. Benito spent the evening hanging around the teamster's campfire and talking to him. He was a "gringo," but the "treeck" had been done to "gringos" before, why, reasoned Morales, should not he attempt it? He did—and with entire success. When the man was under his influence, Morales said: "To-night, at 12 o'clock, you will come one mile down the river to where the ford road is, and you will give me these two mules." Morales touched the ones he wanted. Then he awoke the teamster and went away. At midnight he waited by the ford—and received the mules. He sent the man back to his camp, and took the animals to a clump of heavy willows, where he tied them. He did not want the man to find them in his corral if it should occur to him to make trouble.

The next day, as Morales digged aimlessly in his strawberry patch, he saw the sheriff and the teamster approaching. The sheriff was an Irishman, who kept the one store of the town, and he did not like Benito. The Mexican was badly scared.

"This man," said the Irishman, "says you were loafing around his camp all the evening yesterday, and were watching the two mules that are missing now. He thinks you stole them."

"I did not. I have not got them," said San Benito.

"You come and help us look for them, just the same. You're a queer lot, and you've got lots of things you didn't work to earn."

The mules were found, of course, tied under the willows on San Benito's own ground, with a piece of San Benito's own rope, which he had bought of the Irishman only two days before.

Morales was tried as a horse thief at the next meeting of the court at the county seat, and he was convicted. When the news reached Tularosa that he had been sent to jail, the people of the town turned against their saint after the manner of mankind, which asks nothing better than to burn what it has adored. Guitterez seized back his house. Ortega reclaimed his ranch. San Benito's wife and children were turned out and found refuge where they might until the padre gave them a home.

Afterward, when San Benito came back to his town, he was met with stones and curses and driven out upon the prairie. And his mother went with him across the burning plain, toward the vague north from which they had come. He might be Morales the horse thief to his ungrateful people, but to her he was Benito still—even San Benito.




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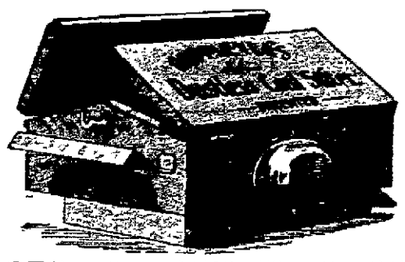
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Johnny (looking up from his reading)—Mother, what is a bookworm?

Mrs. Billus (with a sharp sidelong glance at Mr. Billus) — A bookworm, Johnny, is a man that always sticks his nose in a book or a paper when his wife wants to talk to him. — Chicago Tribune.

**A Natural Query.**

First Deaf Mute (in department store, speaking by finger signs, admiringly) —Those two salesgirls over there are rather pretty!

Second Deaf Mute (speaking ditto, puzzled)—Yes. I wonder if they are talking with each other, or merely chewing gum?—Brooklyn Eagle.

**Sure Enough.**

Small Southerr Boy (politely)—Please pass the 'lasses.

Prim Northern Aunt—You mean molasses, do you not?

Small Southern Boy—How can I mean mo' 'lasses when I haven't had any?—N. Y. Truth.

**A Nice Neighborhood.**

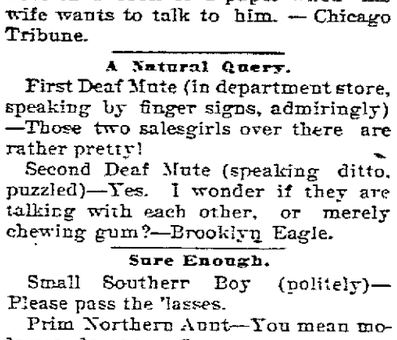
Deacon Ebony — I heah you hab moved, Brudder Black. Has you got inter a select neighborhood?

Brudder Black—I hab, fer a fac', deacon. Nebber saw sich a selection of chickens in mah life.—N. Y. Weekly.

**The Hunt for Unhappiness.**

'Tis folly to be wise
Where ignorance is bliss,
But suspicious women who
Search their husband's pockets through
Never think, alas, of this!
—Chicago Daily News.

**A BLOW AGAINST VANITY.**



Algernon O'Rafferty (gloomily)—I'm goin' ter Klondike.

Marguerite Maloney—Wot fer?

Algernon O'Rafferty—Ter dig gold.

Marguerite Maloney—Hum. I suppose wen ye cum back ye'll be drivin' yer own goat wid harness made outen nuggets, but have a care. Me fadder's a plumber an' winter's on.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

**A Paradox.**

I've often heard it said,
And often seen,
That blackberries are red
When they are green

**A Bad Opinion of It.**

Mr. Wilberforce—What do you think of the third party, Miss Dimling?

Miss Dimling—Oh, I always detested a chaperon.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

**He Wasn't Sure.**

"Is your picture in the academy a success?"

"That's what I am wondering. Someone said it was worth the price of admission."—Tit-Bits.

**The Road to Wealth.**

Bacon—To what do you attribute old Goldstein's success?

Egbert — To his failures.—Yonkers Statesman.

**Easy Enough.**

Mrs. Brooks—How did you break your husband of going out nights?

Mrs. Banks—I told him he talked in his sleep.—Harlem Life.

**Admitting the Resemblance.**

Maud—I have heard people say she sings like a bird.

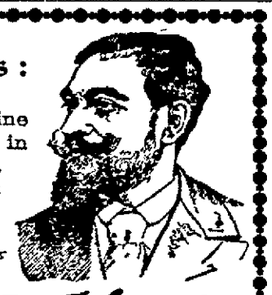
Madge—She does sing incessantly.—Puck.

**Just as Good.**

Book Worm—Have you a copy of "Fifteen Decisive Battles?"

Saleslady—No; but I've got "Recollections of a Married Man."—Tit-Bits.


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"I have frequently used the Genuine JOHANN HOFF'S MALT EXTRACT in France, whenever I felt myself run down. I also use it in America and find it most excellent in clearing my voice."

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**LOCATIONS OF FIRE ALARM BOXES.**

For the information of our readers, we publish below a complete list of the numbers and locations of all the fire alarm boxes in this city:

14—Wickham Ave., cor. Prince, O. & W. R. R.
15—North street and Low avenue, hat shops.
16—North St. and Wisner Ave., type shop.
17—Railroad avenue and Montgomery street.
18—Grand avenue and Prince street.
23—Wickham avenue, corner Liberty street.
24—West Main street and Wallkill avenue.
25—North street, corner Wickham avenue.
26—James and Henry streets.
27—North and John streets, Erie crossing.
28—Lake avenue and West street.
29—W. Main street, corner Monhagen avenue.
213—State Hospital Gate.
214—Prospect street and Highland avenue.
215—Rear of State Hospital.
34—Fulton and Mill streets, hat shop.
35—High and Hanford streets.
36—Canal street, condensery.
37—Mulberry and Fulton streets.
38—Fairview avenue and South street.
41—Fulton street and East avenue.
42—Academy avenue and Houston avenue.
43—East Main street and Railroad avenue.
45—East Main street, foot of Orchard street.
46—Academy avenue and Genung street.
47—Myrtle and Prospect avenue.
48—Grant street and Sprague avenues.
49—East Main street and Prospect avenue.
54—North street, near Orchard.
57—Franklin Square.
21—Rung before a box number, denotes that a test is being made.
1 stroke denotes circuit broken.
2-2-2 strokes of bell denotes Chief's call.
3 strokes of bell denotes 12 o'clock time.
4 strokes of bell denotes recall, fire is out.


For Over Fifty Years

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used by millions of mothers for their children while teething. If disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child, suffering and crying with pain of Cutting Teeth, send at once and get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for Children Teething. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers, there is no mistake about it. It cures Diarrhœa, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, cures Wind Colic, softens the Gums, reduces Inflammation and gives tone and energy to the whole system. "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children teething is pleasant to the taste and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States. Price twenty-five cents a bottle. Sold by all druggists throughout the world. Be sure and ask for "MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP." d&w


**Inflammatory Rheumatism Cured In Three Days.**

Morton L. Hill, of Lebanon, Ind., says: "My wife had inflammatory rheumatism in every muscle and joint, her suffering was terrible and her body and face were swollen beyond recognition; had been in bed for six weeks and had eight physicians but received no benefit until she tried the Mystic Cure for Rheumatism. It gave immediate relief and she was able to walk about in three days. I am sure it saved her life." Sold by J. E. Mills, No. 2 Empire Block, Druggist, Middletown.


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For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. is on every wrapper.


J. A. Perkins, of Antiquity, O., was for thirty years needlessly tortured by physicians for the cure of eczema. He was quickly cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve the famous healing salve for piles and skin diseases. W. D. Olney.

Mrs. Stark, Pleasant Ridge, O., says, "After two doctors gave up my boy to die, I saved him from croup by using One Minute Cough Cure." It is the quickest and most certain remedy for coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. W. D. Olney.

**A Giant Nerve Builder.**

The Mystice Life Renewer is the most powerful nerve builder known. It absolutely cures all forms of nervous diseases and weakness no matter how aggravated or of how long duration, such as neuralgia, nervous prostration, nervous paroxysms, St. Vitus's dance, palpitation of the heart, physical and mental weakness, debility of old age etc. Sold by J. E. Mills, No. 2 Empire Block, Druggists, Middletown.

**A Sensible Man**

Would use Kemp's Balsam for the throat and lungs. It is curing more cases o coughs, colds, asthma, bronchitis, croup and all throat and lung troubles, than any other medicine. The proprietor has authorized any druggist to give you a sample bottle free to convince you of the merit of this great remedy. Price 25 and 50 cents.

**Sciatic Rheumatism Cured.**

L. Wagner, wholesale druggist, Richmond, Va., says: "I had a fearful attack of sciatic rheumatism, was laid up almost two months; was fortunate enough to get Mystic Cure For Rheumatism. This cured me after doctors' prescriptions had failed to have any effect. I have also heard of fine results from others who have used it." J. E. Mills, Druggist, No. 2 Empire Block, North street, Middletown, N. Y.

Miss Allie Hughes, Norfolk, Va., was frightfully burned on the face and neck. Pain was instantly relieved by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which healed the injury without leaving a scar. It is the amous pile remedy. W. D. Olney.

**Beauty Is Blood Deep.**

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

NEW YORK ONTARIO & WESTERN RAILWAY.

**Time Table in Effect Dec. 12th, 1897.**

**NORTH BOUND.**

| STATIONS. | 11 * Milk | 1 On't Hospital Day Exp | 27 Local | 7 Sullivan Co Exp | 5 * Chicago Lmt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | A M | A M | P M | P M | P M |
| N. Y. Leave | | 7 40 | | 2 05 | 5 45 |
| Franklin St | | 7 49 | | 2 15 | 5 55 |
| W. 42d St., | | 7 55 | | 2 20 | 6 00 |
| Weehawken | | 8 10 | | 2 35 | 6 15 |
| Cornwall | | 9 45 | | 5 00 | 7 50 |
| Fl. theliffe | | 9 53 | | 5 08 | |
| Orr's Mills | | 9 55 | | 5 10 | |
| Little Britain | | 10 5 | | 5 23 | |
| Burnside | | 10 18 | | 5 34 | |
| Campbell H | | 10 22 | | 5 40 | 8 19 |
| Stony Ford | | 10 27 | | 5 44 | |
| M'town | | | | | |
| Main St. | | | | 5 55 | |
| M'town ar | | 11 45 | | 6 05 | 8 35 |
| M'town lv | | 11 55 | | 6 15 | 8 45 |
| Winterton | | 12 9 | | 6 31 | |
| Bloom'g'bgh | | 12 15 | | 6 37 | |
| Wurtsboro | | 12 30 | | 6 50 | |
| Summitville | | 12 50 | | 7 05 | |
| Ellenville ar | | 1 15 | | 7 30 | |
| Fallsburgh | | 1 32 | | 7 50 | |
| Hurleyville | | 1 42 | | 8 00 | |
| Ferndale | | 1 53 | | 8 11 | |
| Liberty | | 2 00 | | 8 18 | 9 50 |
| Parksville | | 2 15 | | 8 33 | |
| Lv'gst n Mn'r | | 2 30 | | 8 48 | 10 13 |
| Rockland | | 2 35 | | 8 53 | |
| Cadosia | | 3 00 | | 9 20 | |
| Walton | | 3 14 | | 9 35 | |
| Maywood | | 3 41 | | 10 02 | |
| Sidney | | 3 47 | | 10 08 | |
| N'rwich ar | | 4 30 | | 10 50 | |
| N'rwich lv | | 4 45 | | 11 05 | |
| Castle | | 6 00 | | 12 20 | |
| Oneida ar | | 6 10 | | 12 30 | |
| Oneida lv | | 6 15 | | 12 35 | |
| Fulton | | 7 57 | | 2 17 | |
| Oswego ar | | 8 20 | | 2 50 | |
| | P M | P M | P M | A M | P M |

**SOUTH BOUND.**

| STATIONS. | 6 * New Y'rk Exp | 12 * | 50 Local | 14 Delhi Ex | 2 N Y Day Exp | 42 Norwich Exp | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | A M | P M | A M | A M | A M | P M | P M |
| Oswego lv | 11 20 | .... | 7 15 | .... | 6 45 | 2 55 | .... |
| Oneida ar | .... | .... | 12 22 | .... | 8 46 | 5 08 | .... |
| Oneida lv | 12 56 | .... | 1 0 | .... | 8 50 | 5 29 | .... |
| Castle | .... | .... | 1 15 | P M | 8 58 | 5 27 | .... |
| Norwich ar | 2 09 | .... | 6 15 | 5 47 | 10 37 | 7 15 | .... |
| Norwich lv | 2 14 | .... | P M | 6 52 | 10 42 | P M | .... |
| Sidney | 3 05 | .... | .... | 7 50 | 11 40 | .... | .... |
| Maywood | .... | .... | .... | 8 08 | 11 57 | .... | .... |
| Walton | 3 50 | 12 15 | A M | 8 40 | 12 37 | .... | .... |
| Cadosia | 4 21 | 1 30 | 8 a | p m | 1 20 | .... | .... |
| Rockland | .... | 2 38 | 6 00 | .... | 2 10 | .... | .... |
| Lv'gst'n Mn'r | 5 07 | 3 00 | 6 14 | .... | 2 25 | .... | .... |
| Parksville | .... | 3 16 | 6 25 | .... | 2 37 | .... | .... |
| Liberty | 5 20 | 3 35 | 6 36 | .... | 2 51 | .... | .... |
| Ferndale | .... | 3 41 | 6 41 | .... | n2 56 | .... | .... |
| Hurleyville | .... | 4 01 | 6 50 | .... | 3 06 | .... | .... |
| Fallsburgh | .... | 4 19 | 6 57 | .... | n3 14 | .... | .... |
| Centreville | .... | 4 40 | 7 04 | .... | n3 20 | .... | .... |
| Mount'n D. | .... | 4 50 | 7 10 | .... | n3 25 | .... | .... |
| Summitville | .... | 5 10 | 7 26 | .... | 3 45 | .... | .... |
| Wurtsboro | .... | 5 20 | 7 33 | .... | f3 52 | .... | .... |
| Bloom'g'bgh | .... | 5 28 | 7 38 | .... | 3 57 | .... | .... |
| Winterton | .... | 5 34 | 7 43 | .... | n4 02 | .... | .... |
| M'town ar | 6 33 | 5 55 | 8 01 | .... | 4 21 | .... | .... |
| M'town lv | 6 43 | 6 20 | 8 10 | .... | 4 30 | .... | .... |
| M'town | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Main St. | .... | 6 22 | 8 2 | .... | 4 32 | .... | .... |
| Stony Ford | .... | 6 39 | 8 25 | .... | 4 46 | .... | .... |
| Campbell H. | .... | 7 3 | 8 31 | .... | 4 52 | .... | .... |
| Burnside | .... | 7 22 | 8 36 | .... | f4 57 | .... | .... |
| Little Brit'n | .... | 7 35 | 8 46 | .... | 5 08 | .... | .... |
| Orr's Mills | .... | 8 6 | 9 | .... | 5 19 | .... | .... |
| Fl. theliffe | .... | 8 10 | 8 | .... | 5 21 | .... | .... |
| Corowal | 7 23 | 8 20 | 9 02 | .... | 5 28 | .... | .... |
| Weehawken | 8 47 | 10 50 | 10 30 | .... | 7 00 | .... | .... |
| New York W. 42d St., N Y. | 9 00 | 11 00 | 10 40 | .... | 7 10 | .... | .... |
| Fkln St ar | 9 15 | 11 30 | 10 55 | .... | 7 25 | .... | .... |
| | P M | P M | A M | A M | P M | | |

* Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

f Signifies that trains will stop on signal for passengers.

n Signifies that trains will stop for or to leave New York passengers only.

* Stop for meals.

Trains leave Delhi at 2 05 p. m. for Scranton, Carbondale and intermediate stations.

Trains leave Scranton 0 55 a. m. for Cadosia.

Trains leave Summitville for Ellenville 9 40 and 11 30, a m, 3 50 and 6 0 m

Trains leave Ellenville for Summitville 7 00 and 10 50 a. m., 3 40 and 5 50 p. m

Trains leave Delhi for Walton 7 20 and 11 00 a m, and 5 0 p. m. Sunday only 8 15 p m

Trains leave Walton for Delhi 8 10 a. m, 2 45 and 5 45 p m Sunday only 9 15 a. m, and 2 15 p m.

Trains leave Sidney for New Berlin 10.00 a m, 2 45 and 7 5 p m Leave New Berlin for Sidney 7 40 and 10 02 a. m, and 2 0 p m

For further particulars see local card.

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**N. Y., S. & W. R. R.**

In effect Nov. 29th, '97.

| NORTH | Daily a m | Daily ex Sun p m | Sun only p m |
|---|---|---|---|
| New York Ferries | | | |
| West 23d St | 8 10 | ..... | 3 30 |
| Cortlandt and Desbrosses St. | 8 30 | ..... | 4 10 |
| Jersey City | 8 46 | ..... | 4 25 |
| Hackensack | 9 14 | ..... | 4 50 |
| Paterson, (Broadway) | 9 26 | ..... | 5 02 |
| Paterson | 9 29 | ..... | 5 04 |
| Two Bridges | 10 55 | 2 50 | 6 30 |
| Ogdensburg | 11 07 | 3 05 | 6 40 |
| Franklin | 11 12 | 3 15 | 6 46 |
| Hamburg | 11 20 | 3 25 | 6 54 |
| Deckertown | 11 28 | 3 40 | 7 03 |
| Quarryville | 11 36 | 3 52 | 7 10 |
| Unionville | 11 44 | 4 04 | 7 18 |
| Westtown | 11 49 | 4 15 | 7 24 |
| Johnson | 11 55 | 4 27 | 7 29 |
| Slate Hill | 12 00 | 4 37 | 7 34 |
| Middletown | 12 12 | 4 50 | 7 45 |

| SOUTH. | Daily ex Sun a m | Sun only a m | Daily p m |
|---|---|---|---|
| Middletown | 6 30 | 7 12 | 5 04 |
| Slate Hill | 6 42 | 7 27 | 5 15 |
| Johnson | 6 48 | 7 35 | 5 21 |
| Westtown | 6 53 | 7 43 | 5 27 |
| Unionville | 6 59 | 7 55 | 5 34 |
| Quarryville | 7 06 | 8 07 | 5 43 |
| Deckertown | 7 14 | 8 30 | 5 51 |
| Hamburg | 7 22 | 8 46 | 6 00 |
| Franklin Junction | f7 27 | .... | .... |
| Franklin | 7 29 | 8 56 | 6 07 |
| Ogdensburg | 7 34 | 9 06 | 6 12 |
| Two Bridges | 7 51 | 9 27 | 6 28 |
| Paterson City | 8 03 | ..... | 7 46 |
| Paterson (Broadway) | 9 05 | 10 36 | 7 48 |
| Hackensack | 9 16 | 10 47 | 8 01 |
| Jersey City | 9 38 | 11 12 | 8 27 |
| New York Ferries— | | | |
| Cortlandt and Desbrosses St. | 9 53 | 11 23 | 8 38 |
| West 23d street | 10 15 | 11 45 | 9 20 |

f—Stop on signal.


LE BRUN'S G&G CURE

FOR EITHER SEX. This remedy being injected directly to the seat of those diseases of the Genito-Urinary Organs, requires no change of diet. Cure guaranteed in 1 to 3 days. Small plain package, by mail, $1.00


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TIME TABLE ADOPTED NOV. 28, '97.

| Eastern Time. | 17 | 21 | 1 | 9 | 11 | 38 | 5 | 10 | 26 | 16 | 28 | 38 | 6 | 30 | 2 | 8 | 22 | 14 | S. Spec 606 | S. Spec 620 | Sun 18 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Leave | A M | A M | A M | A M | A M | P M | P M | A M | A M | A M | A M | P M | P M | P M | P M | P M | P M | A M | A M | A M | P M |
| Arrive | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NEW YORK | * 4 00 | † 7 45 | * 9 00 | † 9 15 | † 10 30 | † 2 00 | * 2 00 | * 8 00 | 6 38 | † 9 22 | † 8 52 | † 12 57 | * 3 55 | † 6 12 | * 6 57 | * 7 52 | † 9 52 | † 12 52 | † 7 52 | † 7 06 | † 9 28 |
| Paterson | 4 45 | 8 33 | 9 52 | 10 49 | 12 10 | 2 52 | 5 | 8 14 | 7 18 | 8 45 | 10 00 | 12 12 | 4 46 | 6 03 | 6 20 | 7 32 | 9 08 | 12 15 | 8 00 | 5 54 | 8 32 |
| Turners | .... | 9 57 | .... | .... | 12 25 | 2 58 | .... | .... | .... | 7 57 | 10 37 | 12 57 | 4 55 | 6 03 | 6 36 | .... | 9 08 | 12 20 | 8 00 | 5 54 | 8 15 |
| Monroe | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Greycourt | .... | 10 08 | .... | 10 56 | 12 37 | 3 10 | .... | .... | .... | 7 40 | 10 48 | 1 08 | 4 15 | 6 22 | .... | .... | 9 19 | 12 30 | 8 49 | 6 32 | 8 00 |
| Chester | .... | 10 11 | .... | .... | 12 40 | 3 13 | .... | .... | .... | 7 43 | 10 54 | 1 11 | 4 31 | 6 28 | 7 11 | .... | 9 25 | 12 36 | 8 45 | 5 29 | 7 40 |
| Goshen | .... | 10 19 | .... | 11 12 | 12 48 | 3 22 | 5 00 | .... | .... | 7 50 | 11 02 | 1 19 | 4 25 | 6 39 | 7 20 | .... | 9 33 | 12 44 | 8 37 | 5 21 | 7 27 |
| Middletown | .... | 10 36 | .... | 11 25 | 1 04 | 3 40 | 5 42 | 6 16 | 6 01 | 8 04 | 11 16 | 1 33 | 4 49 | 6 47 | 7 26 | 5 55 | 9 47 | 12 58 | 8 23 | 5 08 | 6 55 |
| Howells | .... | 10 44 | .... | 1 12 | 8 50 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 8 10 | 11 22 | 1 39 | 4 55 | 7 02 | 7 16 | .... | 9 53 | 1 04 | 8 15 | 5 00 | 6 35 |
| Otisville | .... | 10 54 | .... | 1 21 | 9 00 | 4 00 | .... | .... | .... | 8 20 | 11 32 | 1 49 | 5 05 | 7 21 | 7 10 | .... | 10 03 | 1 14 | 8 08 | 4 58 | 6 20 |
| Port Jervis | .... | †11 15 | .... | †12 05 | † 1 42 | † 4 22 | .... | .... | .... | † 6 20 | * 4 10 | † 2 40 | † 6 45 | † 10 00 | † 7 45 | * 7 55 | † 11 55 | † 3 00 | † 7 45 | † 4 30 | † 5 55 |
| Lv. East Time, Ar. | A M | A M | A M | P M | P M | P M | .... | .... | .... | P M | P M | P M | P M | P M | P M | P M | P M | P M | P M | P M | P M |
| Ar. Cent. Time, Lv. | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | * 5 00 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | P M | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Arrive | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHICAGO | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | * 9 20 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Lv. Cent. Time, Ar. | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | P M | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |

*Daily. ‡Sundays only. †Except Sunday. b. Stops for passengers to Binghamton and beyond.

Middletown & Crawford Branch—Leave Main St., Middletown, for Pine Bush at 11:40 a. m., daily except Sunday; 11:10 a. m., Sundays only, and 6:55 p. m. daily.

Montgomery Branch—Leave Goshen for Montgomery at 7:27 a. m., daily except Sunday; 11:20 a. m. and 5:28 p. m., daily except Sunday; 10:55 Sunday only.

Pine Island Branch—Leave Goshen for Pine Island at 11:20 a. m. and 6:35 p. m. daily except Sunday; 10:55 Sunday only. Leave Goshen for Deckertown 8:45 a. m. and 6:35 p. m., daily except Sunday.

Newburgh, via Turners—Leave Turners for Newburgh at 7:35 a. m., daily, except Sunday; 10:53 a. m., daily except Sunday; 9:00 p. m. daily; 10:30 a. m., Sunday only. Train 30 and 2 connects for Newburgh via Arden, instead of Turners.

Newburgh, via Greycourt—Leave Greycourt at 7:45 a. m., daily except Sunday; 11:10 a. m., daily, except Sunday; 1:23 and 6:20 p. m. daily, except Sunday; 10:45 a. m. and 5:37 p. m., Sunday only.

Trains Nos. 6, 11, 15, 16, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 30, 33 and Sunday Specials 601, 617, 625 stop at Main street, Middletown.


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T. STACK, Manager, 14 Ogden street, Shop 147 North street.

## A SCHOOL "DEESTRICK," FLAGSTAFF

**Was a Long Time In Being Set Up But Was Cut Down in Two Weeks.**

The Thompson Ridge school district in the town of Crawford held out for three years against the law requiring that the school house be equipped with a flag and flagstaff The correspondence between the district officials and the Department of Public Instruction was voluminous and interesting, the district officials arguing that the display of a flag did not necessarily teach respect for the national emblem and that the purchase of a flag, with milk at present prices, would entail a needless expense on oppressed taxpayers.

Twice the people of the district voted down appropriations for a flag and instructed the trustee not to buy one, even if ordered to do so by the Albany authorities. The State Department at last threatened to deprive the district of its share of the public money and the trustee weakened and two weeks ago set up a flag staff and the flag was unfurled from it as required by law.

The sentiment of the district was, however, still against the flag foolishness and, Friday night, vandals or anarchists cut down the flag staff and hacked it into three pieces.

The trustee is in a quandary. He says he is now anxious to comply with the law but cannot, alone and single-handed, cope with the lawless spirits of the neighborhood and will appeal to Superintendent Skinner for troops to protect the new flag staff which he will erect as soon as the frost is out of the ground.

## EXCELSIOR'S SOCIAL.

**The Largest in the History of its Popular Entertainments.**

Excelsior Hook and Ladder Company made a popular move, when it gave its members the privilege of inviting outsiders to its socials. These outsiders were restricted to those who are not members of fire companies, and it is hoped in this way to interest possible firemen in the company and thus increase its active membership.

Thirty-three tables were filled Friday night, when whist playing opened the evening's fun in the Assembly Rooms. The committee, composed of Chairman D. D. W. Schoonmaker, Archibald Taylor, A. J. Vail, J. C. R. Taylor, N. D. Mills, Geo. W. Young, Henry L Adams, Ferris M. Pronk, seated the company rapidly and the games were started promptly and were closely contested The favors were awarded to Mrs E. Madden Decker and George Dorrance.

Refreshments were served, after which dancing was begun and continued until past midnight.

## OFFICERS INSTALLED.

**Of Washington Lodge, Knights and Ladies of Honor.**

Ira S. Clauson, D. G. P., of the State of New York, assisted by Thomas J. Morris as Grand Guide, and J. J. Wood, as Grand Chaplain, installed the following officers of Washington Lodge, K. and L. of H., Friday evening:

P. P.—Thomas J Morris.
P.—Wilmot Decker.
V. P.—Annie T. Russell.
Recording Secretary—Ira S. Clauson.
Financial Secretary—David C. Crosby.
Treasurer—Thurza M. Thorne.
Chaplain—Fannie E. Clauson.
Guide—Abram M Scott.
Guardian—Annie Brown.
Sentinel—Daniel D Vail.
Trustees—Herman Butts, Wm. H. Benton, Oxel R. Lindberg.

**Population of Up Midland Villages.**

From the Walton Reporter.

The population of Delhi in 1890 was 1,564, now it is 1,883, a gain of 319; Stamford, 1890 was 819, now 949, gain 130, Franklin, 581, now 500, loss 81; Unadilla, 1,157, now 1,248, gain 81; Otego, 575, now 623, gain 48, Oneonta, 6 272, now 7,963, gain 1,691 Deposit, 1,600 now 1,957, Hancock, 1,100, now 1,343, Margaretville, 634, Hobart, 545, and Walton, 3,018, a gain of 614

**Brick Pavements Hard on Horse Shoes.**

The brick pavements are a good thing for horse shoers for they soon dull the calks of the horses' shoes and make it necessary to send them often to the shops to have the calks sharpened Mr Adams, of the National and Adams express companies, whose horses go all the way on the pavements to and from the depots, says he cannot keep them sharp for more than a day.

**Chauncey M Depew to Become an O. and W. Director.**

Chauncey M Depew will next Wednesday be added to the Directorate of the New York, Ontario and Western Railway Company to fill a vacancy created by the death of his brother in-law, William H. Paulding,

**Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!**

Ask your grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. One-fourth the price of coffee. Fifteen cents and 25 cents per package. Sold by all grocers.

Miss Katherine Ridgeway says John Thomas is the funniest fellow she ever saw on the stage.

"It was almost a miracle. Burdock Blood Bitters cured me of a terrible breaking out all over the body. I am very grateful!" Miss Julia Filbridge, West Cornwell, Conn.

## MISS NEARING NOT SUSTAINED.

**Matteawan's School Board Forbids Further Dissections and Refuses to Express Confidence in Miss Nearing.**

At a meeting of the Board of Education of Fishkill held last night, it was voted to prohibit further dissections and exhibitions of the vital organs of animals, as part of the education of the class in physiology. A communication from State Superintendent of Public Instruction Charles R. Skinner was read, in which he stated that the occurrence did not strike him as anything serious. If he should offer any criticism it would be as to the advisability of the dissection of animals before small children.

A resolution expressing confidence in the teacher, Miss Fannie Nearing, of this city, the cause of the trouble, was voted down, only one member, Dr. J. H. Doughty, supporting her.

## UMPQUA TRIBE'S ENTERTAINMENT

**Fifty Couples Spend a Pleasant Evening at Odd Fellows' Hall.**

Umpqua Tribe, No. 331, I. O. R. M., held a private reception at its rooms in Odd Fellows' Hall, Friday night. Fifty couples were present. A fine entertainment was given by the following well known talent of this city:

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| Selection | Harmonica Club |
| Recitation | Miss Vida McNevin |
| Vocal Solo | Mr. DeVaux |
| Mandolin Solo | Miss Toni Palo |
| Graphophone Selection | Lewis Sharp |

Deputy Great Sachem L. B. Myers, of Warwick, and Rev. J. Newton Emory, of this city, made very appropriate remarks.

After the entertainment a banquet was served by a corps of ladies of this city, after which dancing was indulged in until early morning. Music was furnished by McWilliams' orchestra.

Monarch over pain. Burns, cuts, sprains, stings. Instant relief. Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. At any drug store.


# The Dipper or the Dropper?

There are cough medicines that are taken as freely as a drink of water from a dipper. They are cheap medicines. Quantity does not make up for quality. It's the quality that cures. There's one medicine that's dropped, not dipped—Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. There's more power in drops of this remedy than in dippersful of cheap cough syrups and elixirs. It cures Bronchitis, Asthma, Croup, Whooping Cough, and all Colds, Coughs, and affections of the Throat and Lungs.

# Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

is now HALF PRICE for the half-size bottles—50 cents.


STATEMENT of Middletown Savings Bank, Jan. 1st 1898

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| Loans on bonds and mortgages | | $ 576 615 00 |
| United States bonds | | 117 600 00 |
| City village and town bonds | | 843 887 50 |
| Banking House | | 18,000 00 |
| Real estate sold under contract | | 2 525 00 |
| Other real estate | | 1,600 00 |
| Cash on hand in banks and Trust Co s | | 220 911 49 |
| Interest accrued | | 20,5.1 62 |
| Rent accrued | | 412 00 |
| Total | | $1,782,373 11 |
| Due depositors | $1 646 922 17 | |
| Fifty seventh dividend to depositors. | 29 8.1 62 | |
| Surplus | 106,229 32 | |
| Total | | $1 752,373 11 |

F B DENTON, President.
D. H BAILEY Treasurer 51d2t,wtf

## NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

This is to certify and public notice is hereby given that DEWITT C. McMONAGLE and WILLIAM H. ROGERS, heretofore doing business as co-partners under the firm name and style of McMONAGLE & ROGERS, of Middletown, Orange county, N. Y., for a valuable consideration have mutually agreed that the said co-partnership existing as aforesaid be dissolved by mutual consent, to take effect on the first day of January, 1898

Dated Middletown, N Y., Jan 1st, 1898
DEWITT C McMONAGLE.
WILLIAM H. ROGERS

## NOTICE OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.

Whereas, the co-partnership heretofore existing between DEWITT C McMONAGLE and WILLIAM H. ROGERS, under the firm name of "McMONAGLE & ROGERS," has heretofore been dissolved by mutual consent

Now therefore pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, this certificate certifies that we, the undersigned, WILLIAM H ROGERS and FRED S. ROGERS, will conduct the said business and will continue to use the said co-partnership name of "McMONAGLE & ROGERS," in carrying on said business, and that said William H. Rogers and Fred S Rogers will be the only persons dealing under such name in the said business of conducting and carrying on a general wholesale and retail drug and flavoring extract business.

That our respective places of abode is 65 Highland avenue, in the city of Middletown, Orange county, New York and that said business is to be conducted and carried on in the city of Middletown, Orange county, N Y.

Dated Middletown N Y., Jan. 13, 1898
WILLIAM H ROGERS
FRED S ROGERS.

STATE OF NEW YORK, } ss
COUNTY OF ORANGE }

On this 14th day of January, 1898, before me personally appeared WILLIAM H. ROGERS and FRED S ROGERS, to me known and known to me to be the individuals mentioned and described in, and who executed the foregoing instrument, and they severally acknowledged to me that they executed the same

SEYMOUR DeWITT, Notary Public.
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## DO IT FOR YOURSELF.

You can tell just as well as a physician whether your kidneys are diseased or healthy. The way to do is to take a bottle or glass tumbler, and fill it with urine. If there is a sediment—a powder-like substance—at the bottom after standing a day and night, there is something wrong with the kidneys. Another sure sign of disease is a desire to urinate often, and still another sign is pain in the back If urine stains linen, there is no doubt that the kidneys are affected.

Any and all diseases of the kidneys, liver, bladder and of the urinary passages and constipation of the bowels are cured by Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. There is no question about its being the best and surest medicine in the world for such troubles. It quickly relieves and cures inability to hold urine, and people, young or old, who take it are not compelled to get up a number of times during the night. For putting an end to that scalding pain experienced in passing urine, nothing is so good as Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. It corrects the bad effects of whiskey and beer; is pleasant to taste, and does not seem to be medicine at all. Diseases of the kidneys and bladder often require the use of instruments to push back the sandy matter so the urine can be voided. In such cases Favorite Remedy should be taken without further delay or the disease may prove fatal. It is sold for one dollar a bottle at all drug stores. It is well worth many times its price.

**Samples Free.**

If you wish to test Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy before buying it, send your full post office address to the Dr. David Kennedy Corporation, Rondout, N. Y., and mention this paper. We will then mail you a sample bottle free, as well as circulars giving full directions for its use. Every reader of the ARGUS can depend upon the genuineness of this liberal offer, and all sufferers from kidney troubles should take advantage of it at once.

# "THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD, OR OUR SAVIOUR IN ART"

Cost over $100 000 to publish. Contains nearly 200 full page engravings of our Saviour by the great masters. Every picture is reproduced from some famous painting. Agents are taking from three to twenty orders per day The book is so beautiful that when people see it they want it. The Hermitage, Prado, Uffizi, Pitti, Louvre, Vatican, National of London, National of Berlin, Belvidere and other celebrated European galleries have placed their greatest and rarest treasures at our disposal that they might be engraved for this up rb work "FIRST GLANCE AT THE PICTURES BROUGHT TEARS TO MY EYES," says one "Cleared $170 first week's work with the book," says another. "Some high grade man or woman should secure the agency here at once," says every editor, "as $500 can soon be made taking orders for it" Nearly $10 000 expended on new plates for edition coming from press Also a man or woman of good church standing can secure position of Manager and Correspondent of this territory, to devote all his time to employing and drilling agents and corresponding with them Address for full particulars A. P. T ELDER, Publisher, 278 Michigan avenue, Chicago, Ill. dro Feb21

William Van Schaick, Auctioneer.

## AUCTION.

**Modern and Antique Furniture, THURSDAY. Jan. 27th.**

All the furniture and furnishings contained in the three story brick building of the late Caroline Robertson, No. 49 South street, will be sold at public auction on the above date. No reserve. Sale will begin at one o'clock sharp. Parlor furniture lounges bedsteads, carpets, mahogany bureaus and tables feather beds and pillows, quilts, blankets, sheets hair mattresses cheuelle and lace curtains, mantel mirrors, springs refrigerator, clocks, pictures, rugs, linen goods, bric-a-brac, crockery, glass and chinaware, parlor stove, Dockash range and other goods too numerous to mention The

**HOUSE and LOT**

Will be offered at public auction at 4 o'clock same day. 53d4t

## $5 25 a Hundred Best Granulated Sugar! 'Till Jan. 23d.

## J. W. SLOAT,

15-17 East Main St.

## New To-Day.

Colonial Blended Flakes, Wheat, Oats and Rye; Whole Rolled Ox Tongue, Fancy Maple Sugar. 2 pound bricks; Maple Syrup, ½ gallon cans; Dundee Marmalade, Preserved Cherries, Raspberries, Clam Chowder, Currie Powder, Capers, Pitted Olives, Deviled Crabs, Best Imported Olive Oil

CITY GROCERS.

## Bull & Youngblood,

56 North St., Opp. Postoffice.

TELEPHONE CALL 55

Standard Fine

## GRANULATED SUGAR

## $5.25 Per Hundred,

## 'Till Jan. 23d.

## C. N. PREDMORE & SON.

# ONE CENT A WORD

*for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.*

AUCTION—LAST NIGHT — Housefurnishing goods at CARPENTER'S Store, 142 North St., at 7 o' lock. dlt

FOR RENT—House with nine rooms, newly papered and painted throughout Good barn. Within five minutes of Franklin Square. Lowest rent in the city 53d6t THOMAS WATTS, 15 East Main St.

FOR RENT—A storeroom in Deckertown, N. J. Suitable for clothing or druggist, living rooms over it with town water. dlt MRS. S. C. WOLFE, Deckertown.

THE Law partnership firm heretofore existing of Merrill & Burke is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Dated January 1st, 1898. EDWIN S. MERRILL. WM J BURKE.

FALSE Hair, wigs, whiskers, moustaches, zither, harp, first-class hammerless revolver, 32 calibre, all cheap at the EXCHANGE AND MART CO., No. 46 East Main street

FOR SALE—Building Lot, on Mills avenue, second lot north from Hoffman street, 51 feet front, 100 feet deep. Time given on half purchase money. Enquire 24 Benton avenue. 48d6t

FOR RENT—Double house, No. 14 Beattie avenue, arranged for two families, city water. Barn if wanted. Low rent, desirable location. 11dtf F. C. EVERSON, 150 East Main street

TEETH—A good set $6 and $8, the BEST $10. Warranted five years. Odontunder, gas and ether administered. DR. ROBINSON, Iseman Building, James street.

**HELP WANTED.**

WANTED—Upright and faithful gentlemen or ladies to travel for responsible, established house in New York Monthly $65 and expenses. Position steady. Reference. Enclose self addressed stamped envelope. The Dominion Company, Dept. F., Chicago. 43d30t

WANTED—Ladies to remember that you swore off on having your shoes repaired with nails It makes them stiff and heavy. CRAIG sews on the soles, which makes your shoes feel flexible. The cost is no more.



## 4c POUND

Fine Stewing Beef, Pork 8c, Chops 9c or 3 pounds 25c, Sausage 3 pounds 25c, fine Boneless Roasts for one week marked down to 7c pound. See our display windows and bargain counter.

**W. J. GREENING, 13 E. Main St.**

## Cottage Hotel Entertainments.

WEEK OF JAN. 17.

Fred Rockwell, the well-known Chinese impersonator and cornet soloist. Is novel and worth seeing. Miss Bella Henshaw, clever vocalist and dancer. Miss Bertie Smyth will return with new and up-to date songs. Miss Clara Scott, soubrette

P. S.—Don't forget the grand ball, Thursday night, in connection with the above show Cars leave for Middletown at 1 a. m., and Goshen at 12 20.

# 1898!

# AT THE ECONOMY STORE.

The year that is past offered the best market ever seen. The year that is to come offers even better things HERE. We give you a combination of attractiveness and low prices. We make them appeal to your taste and to your pocket, and every article is a money saving chance and every yard a lesson in ECONOMY.

MONDAY, Jan. 24th.—On sale the entire Hosiery Stock of Carpenter's Bargain House, We bought at a big discount for cash. We pass them on you in the same manner.

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| 2½ | Cts. per pair Men's 8c Mixed Socks. | 2½ | Cts. per yard, Heavy Twilled Toweling. |
| 6 | Cts., Men's Black Seamless 10c Socks. | 3½ | Cts., good Plaid Glass Toweling. |
| 10 | Cts. Men's Seamless 15c Socks | 2½ | Cts. each Plaid Towels, medium size. |
| 15 | Cts., Men's Imported Black Half hose, 19c value. | 7½ | Cts each, large 10c Turkish Towels. |
| 6 | Cts., Children's Black Ribbed Hose, were 10c | 12 | Cts., Double Warp Turkish Towels, 18c kind. |
| 10 | Cts., Black Ribbed Hose, were 12½c. | 15 | Cts., larger Towels, always 19c each. |
| 12½ | Cts., Heavy Bicycle Hose, were 20c. | 19 | Cts., a large Bleached 25c Towel. |
| 6 | Cts., Ladies' Black Seamless Hose, 10c value. | 3½ | Cts. per yard, good Apron Checks. |
| 5 | Cts., Children's Heavy Ribbed Tan Hose, were 10c. | 4 | Cts., Best American Calicoes. |
| 10 | Cts. Ladies' Black Seamless Hose, with white feet were 15c. | 3⅞ | Cts., Cream Domet Flannel. |
| 15 | Cts., Ladies' Imported Seamless Black Hose, were 20c | 1 | Ct., Large Spools Basting Cotton. |
| 10 | Cts., Ladies' Black Hose, drop stitch, value 15c. | 19 | Cts., heavy Red Damask Table Cover, a 25c. value. |
| | | 2½ | Cts. each, good Fringed Doylies. |

*Embroideries*

Are easy leaders here, easy enough at these prices:

1 Ct. per yard, Narrow Edges, regular 3 and 5c kind.
3 Cts. per yard, such as you usually buy at 6 and 8c.
6 Cts. per yard, Wide, Handsome Goods, regular 10 and 12½c styles.
9 Cts. per yard we offer values as high as 25c. all at 9c.

Above goods are 4½ and 5 yd lengths and will not be cut.

*Linens.*

Now you may buy 50 inch BLEACHED Damask 22c.
50 inch CREAM LINEN Damask 25c.
50c ALL FLAX Damask at 38c
58 inch HEAVY CREAM, pure Linen Damask at 50c. Don't pay 75c when you can buy at 50c.

## ECONONY STORE, 118 North St.

53d3t wlt

INVENTORY SALE—To reduce our stock before we inventory, we will give a discount of 25 per cent. on all ribbons, fancy feathers, birds, sweeps, buckles and crowns. Special low prices on mourning hats and bonnets. Notions cheap also. Bone hair pins 10c a dozen, combs 4c., thread 3c., hooks and eyes 1c a card, dress shields 5c., pins 1c, needles 3c., 35 sheets paper for 5c., ledger and account books 5 and 10c., and hundred other things. 50d&wtf MRS. BUSH. 141 North street.

THE Klondike isn't in it with the bargains in second-hand goods at LOEVEN'S Storage House, 21 Monhagen avenue 73d1y Oc23,98

WANTED By Old Established House—High Grade Man or Woman, good church standing, willing to learn our business, then to act as Manager and State Correspondent here Salary $900. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope to A. T. ELDER General Manager, care DAILY ARGUS. dtoFeb21

LOWER Part of house, 69 East avenue; lower part of house, with barn, 30 Canal street, lower part of house, with barn, 203 East Main street, for rent.

Enquire of P. CUMMINGS, 100 North street, or corner East Ave and Fulton St. 73dtf

# TO CLOSE OUT AT ONCE. WE OFFER UNTIL SOLD.

## Eleven Pieces of 50c Novelty Wool Dress Goods

To close out quick. We have made the price 39c.

## 58 Ladies' Cotton Eider Down Wrappers.

Extra well made, trimmed with braid or velvet, all cut extra wide, sold from $1.98 to $2.48. To close them out we have marked them $1.50—none exchanged.

## 17 Pair Shaker Flannel Blankets.

All 10 4 Some slightly soiled. They sold at 75, 98c and $1.19. To close them out we have marked them 55, 75 and 95c a pair.

## 14 Pair White Wool Blankets.

They are 60 per cent. wool, are 10 4 and 11 4, are worth $2.75 and $3 per pair. To close them out have marked them $1.98 and $2.25.

## 38 Child's Outing Flannel Skirts.

Age from 4 to 10 years Will pay to buy them for next year. As long as they last 15c each.

## 180 Flannelette Wrappers.

Made with box pleated back, tight fitting, all cut extra wide, come either in navy blue, stripe or black and white polka dot. To close out quick we have made the price 79c.

## THE MUSLIN UNDERWEAR SALE IS DRAWING CROWDS! WHY?

The women who are acquainted with the quality of the muslin wear sold here are many. They know that these annual trade events bring them worthy garments at prices unknown at other times. We do not say that all are sold at a loss to us. We make a profit, but that profit comes to us from selling ten garments when otherwise only one would go. The advantage is yours and ours. You buy cheaply, we sell much.

## Ladies' Muslin Drawers.

Well made, trimmed with either fine tucks or lace, 15c a pair.

## Ladies' Drawers.

Made from either fine muslin or cambric 25, 29, 39, 48c. Many wonder how we can even buy the material for what we sell the whole garment for.

## Ladies' Night Gowns.

39, 49, 59, 69, 79, 89, 98c. You pay for the material only, we throw in the work.

## Corset Covers.

15, 19, 25c. Perfec. fitting. Couldn't be better made, and less than the cloth and trimming would cost you.

## Umbrella Skirts.

All made with an extra wide ruffle. No need of wasting your time when you can buy at the prices we sell them at 49, 75, 89, 98c., $1.39, $1 48.

# HART DAVIS, 45 North Street, Middletown.